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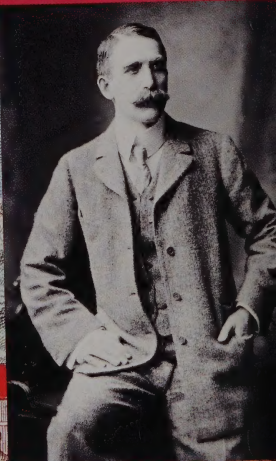
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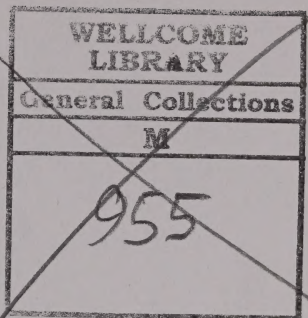
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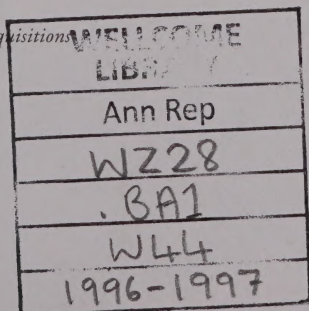


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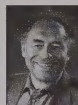
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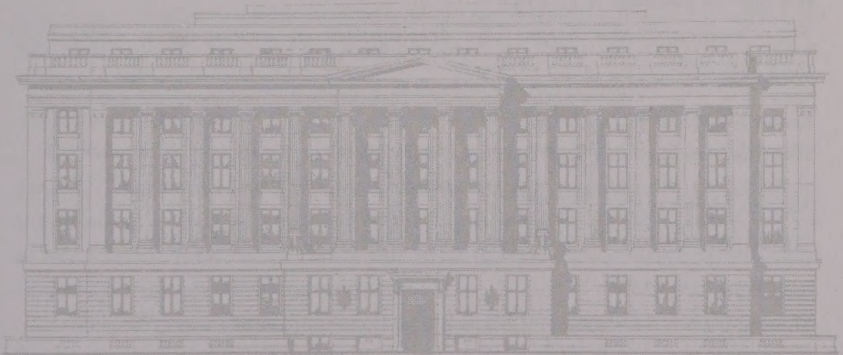


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Secretary to Unit (WIHM)

Mary Shaw
(*to 31 December 1996*)

As was mentioned last year, **Janet Browne** was promoted to a Readership in the History of Biology with effect from 1 October 1996.

Dr Pamela Lear was appointed Research Assistant to Tilli Tansey and Dr Nicholas Russell (Imperial College) for their Trust-funded study, 'An Oral History of Laboratory Technicians in Modern Medical Research'.



Nineteen Wellcome postdoctoral fellows were based at the Institute during 1996–97:

Cristina Alvarez-Millan, PhD

A Critical Edition of al-Razi's Kitab al-Tajarib (*to 30 March 1997*)

Roberta Bivins, BA, PhD

The Needle and the Lancet: British acupuncture and the cross-cultural transmission of medical knowledge (*from 12 December 1996*)

Rebecca Flemming, MA, PhD

An Investigation into Woman as an Object of Medical Knowledge in the Later Roman Empire (*from 4 July 1997*)

Lisa Herschbach, MA, PhD

Medical Colonialism on Exhibit: Tropical medical museums and hygiene fairs, 1898–1947 (*4 November 1996 to 3 August 1997*)

Geoff Hudson, MA, DPhil

The English Military Hospital, 1644–1790 (*from 1 May 1997*)

L Stephen Jacyna, BA, PhD

Language and the Brain from 1825 to 1930

Paul Lerner, MA, MPhil, PhD

Hysterical Men: War, memory and German mental medicine, 1914–1925 (*to 31 August 1997*)

Boleslav Lichterman, MD, PhD

The Century of the Brain: The development of neurosurgery, 1880–1980 (*to 4 July 1997*)

Eileen Magnello, MA, DPhil

The Life and Times of Karl Pearson (1857–1936)

Andrew Morrice, BSc, MB, BS

Ethical Issues in British Medicine, 1902–1948 (*from 1 February 1997*)

Kim Pelis, BA, PhD

Moving Blood: A cultural and biotechnical history of transfusion in England

Ruth Richardson, MA, DPhil

The Victorian Interment Problem

Katharina Rowold, BA, PhD

'The Intellectual Woman': Britain, Germany and Spain, c.1860–1914
(from 1 December 1996)

Chandak Sengoopta, MA, MB, BS, MDPsych, PhD

Glands, Discipline and Culture: Sexual endocrinology in the early twentieth century

Nikolai Serikoff, MA, PhD

A Dictionary of Greek Borrowings and Loan Words in Arabic (sixth and seventh centuries)

Irina Sirotkina, MA, PhD

Writing Pathographies: Psychiatric studies of literature in turn-of-the-century Britain and Russia (to 6 May 1997)

Katherine D Watson, BSc, MA, DPhil

The History of Forensic Toxicology in Britain, 1830–1950

Lise Wilkinson, Cand Pharm, Mag Scient

Public Health at Home and Abroad: With special reference to the work of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

In April, **Dr Cristina Alvarez-Millan** was awarded a six-month extension to her fellowship and on 1 April took up a Spanish postdoctoral fellowship to carry out a project, 'Clinical Accounts in Medieval Islamic Medical Literature', funded by the Ministerio de Educación y Cultura. In May 1997, she delivered a paper 'Galen's influence on Razi's clinical accounts' at a Conference on Hellenistic medicine in Provence.

Dr Roberta Bivins joined us in December to take up a year's fellowship for her project, 'The Needle and the Lancet: British acupuncture and the cross-cultural transmission of medical knowledge'. She contributed to the BBC World Service series, *A Green History of the Planet*, and wrote the text for a museum exhibition in Glasgow on science and Christianity.

Dr Rebecca Flemming took up a three-year Trust fellowship in July to work on 'An Investigation into Woman as an Object of Medical Knowledge in the Later Roman Empire'.

Dr Lisa Herschbach began a year's fellowship in November to work on 'Medical Colonialism on Exhibit: Tropical Medical Museums and Hygiene Fairs, 1898–1947'. She remitted her fellowship in August to take up a position at Rutgers University (New York), and hopes to return in 1998.

Dr Geoff Hudson arrived in May to commence a two-year fellowship to examine the history of the English military hospital, 1644–1790.

Dr Stephen Jacyna continued his research on the history of aphasia studies. In June 1997, he organized and contributed to a symposium at the Wellcome Institute on the history of neurolinguistics. In the same month, he spoke at the session on historiography at the annual meeting of the International Society for the History of the Neurosciences in Leiden.

Dr Paul Lerner gave a paper at the History and Philosophy of Science Department at Cambridge University in October. His fellowship was extended to 30 August and he took up the position of Assistant Professor of History at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, in September.

Dr Boleslav Lichterman completed his study entitled 'The Century of Brain: The development of neurosurgery, 1880–1980' and returned to Moscow in July. He spoke at our Work in Progress seminar in January, and S Jacyna presented his paper at the Second Meeting of the International Society for the History of the Neurosciences in Leiden in June. He gave lectures on the history of neurosurgery at Queen's Medical Centre in Nottingham, Guy's Hospital in London and at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore.

Dr Eileen Magnello was given an extension to her Trust fellowship and will be with us until the end of June 1998.

Dr Andrew (Boris) Morrice arrived in February to take up a year's Trust Medical Graduate Student Fellowship for a study of ethical issues in British medicine, 1902–1948.

Dr Kim Pelis organized a six-month exhibition at the Science Museum, 'Thicker than Water: Blood transfusion'. She also gave the following papers 'Transfusion, with Teeth: Re-animation and the re-introduction of human blood transfusion to British medical practice, 1810–34', and 'Reservoir Docs: The Franco-American



Army Blood Transfusion Service. Twentieth-century lithograph. *Wellcome Institute Library, London.*

debate over human reservoirs of typhus, 1909–36’ at various venues throughout the world including Cambridge University, the University of Manchester, Johns Hopkins, the Wellcome Institute, Sydney University School of Public Health, and at the AAHM (American Association for the History of Medicine) meeting in Williamsburg. Her paper, ‘Moving Blood between Bodies from Antiquity to World War I’, was well received at the National Blood Transfusion Service’s 50th anniversary meeting, at Colindale Hospital and at San Antonio in Texas. She also spoke at our Environments symposium and at the Delhi School of Economics.

In August, **Dr Ruth Richardson** presented a 45-minute programme for Radio 4 on the dissection of Jeremy Bentham, and spoke on Radio 4 on the Wellcome's 'Doctor Death' exhibition, which she coorganized with Ken Arnold. In November, with her husband, Brian Hurwitz, she spoke at an open air event organized by English Heritage to celebrate the unveiling (by Sir Christopher Booth) of a blue plaque for Dr Joseph Rogers, healthcare reformer, on his old surgery at 33 Dean Street, Soho. In addition to giving a Work in Progress seminar in December, she also gave lectures in Bury St Edmunds, Edinburgh and Bournemouth on aspects of death.

Chandak Sengoopta spent his first year working on his Wellcome fellowship project, 'Glands, Discipline, and Culture: Sexual endocrinology in the early twentieth century'. He coorganized, and gave a paper at, a one-day Institute workshop in June, 'Medicine and the Glandular Vision of Life', and a Work in Progress seminar earlier the same month.

Dr Nikolai Serikoff was awarded a year's extension (until 30 November 1997) by the Trust for his work on a lexicon of Greek loan words in Arabic. He lectured at the Universities of Halle and St Andrews.

Dr Irina Sirotkina nearly completed work on her monograph, *Writing Pathographies: Literature and psychiatry in turn-of-the-century Russia*, and submitted a paper 'The Notification of Illness in the Works by N N Bazhenov' to *History of Psychiatry*. She gave a paper in our Work in Progress series and spoke at the annual meeting of the British and East European Psychology Group, held at University College London on 1 May 1997, returning to Moscow shortly thereafter.

Dr Katherine Watson completed numerous entries on chemists and forensic scientists for the *New Dictionary of National Biography*, scheduled for publication in 2004. In May she was granted a one-year extension of her Wellcome fellowship, and spoke at the University of Newcastle (the Spriggs Memorial Lecture); in July, she was invited to join the Council of the Society for the History of Alchemy and Chemistry.

The total intake of 'new blood' (including fellows and students) during 1996/97 was 78, which put rather a strain on our resources: so much so, that we were unable to give several of our visitors a desk to call their own. This was in spite of the refurbishment of the rooms in the Rockefeller Building and the cramming of extra desks into the larger rooms in the Wellcome Building.

The following received Wellcome Trust travel grants:

Dr Isabella Andorlini, of the Istituto Papirologico 'G Vitelli', Florence, spent two weeks studying medical papyri here and at Oxford.

Dr Antonio Clericuzio (Rome) worked for a month on an edition of the correspondence of Robert Boyle.

Dr Otniel Dror, of the Department of History of Science at Princeton, spent a week here working on the development of a modern physiology of emotions and psychosomatic medicine in the Anglo-American contexts. He hopes to return during 1998.

Dr Hormoz Ebrahimnejad, an independent researcher in Paris, spent two months here, working on a history of epidemics in Iran in the nineteenth century.

Professor Ali Foruhi, of Tehran, spent almost two months in the spring making a critical edition of the tenth-century manuscript, 'Kholasset-altashrih'.

Sanjiv Kakar returned from Delhi for ten days in May to finish his survey on leprosy colonies in colonial India.

Professor Ilana Löwy(-Zelmanowicz), of INSERM (Paris) was awarded a Wellcome Trust short-term travelling fellowship in September to work on a study, 'Cells, "Resistance" and Malignancies: The origins of cellular immunology in France and the UK, 1920–1960'.

Amy Masciola arrived in January to conduct research for her University of Maryland dissertation on the history of representations of criminal women in medical literature. She stayed with us until the end of April.

Dr S Mukherjee, of Rabindra Bharati University (Calcutta) worked for five weeks in mid-summer on the history of medicine in colonial India.

Dr Chris O'Callaghan arrived on 29 May on a Trust short-term Sabbatical Leave Fellowship for Clinicians and Scientists to look at the history of metered dose inhalers. His fellowship ended in September, and he returned to his work as a consultant paediatrician, but he remains an affiliate and pays regular visits to continue his research.

Professor Shubhada Pandya, of the Bombay Hospital, spent six weeks in early summer working on debates on the causation of leprosy 1847–1897.

Dr Serap Pelin, of the Unit of Medical Ethics, Ankara Medical Faculty, spent six weeks during the spring working on a comparative historical and conceptual study of the alleged Cnidian and Coan (Hippocratic) approaches to disease.

Dr Ernst Prets, of the Austrian Academy of Sciences, spent a fortnight working on the manuscripts of the *Carakasamhita*.

Dr Mridula Ramanna was awarded a grant to work on colonial medical policy and Indian responses to Western medicine in the Bombay Presidency and spent three weeks with us.

One of our frequent visitors, **Dr Mary Spongberg** (Macquarie) returned in November and spent a month looking at connections between discussions on congenital syphilis, moral insanity and degeneration, and at comparative anatomy and racial anthropology in the eighteenth century.

1997 saw the beginning of a new travel grant scheme for scholars in the USA. The scheme, which is run by the Burroughs Wellcome Fund in North Carolina, seems set to provide us with a steady stream of visitors. The following were based at the Unit this year:

Dr Estelle Cohen returned from Minnesota in March to spend six months working on reproductive medicine and biology, brain anatomy and neuroanatomy in Britain, France and The Netherlands c.1660–1800 and on references to these earlier medical traditions in nineteenth-century medical textbooks.

Dr Stephen Cross (an independent scholar currently affiliated to the Universities of San Antonio, and Rice [Houston], Texas) spent three weeks here from mid-June working on his comprehensive biography of Julian Huxley.

Dr Jay Dennis, of the Dept of Medicine, Medical College of Georgia, spent three months from May writing a biography of William Charles Wells. His wife, **Mary Lou Dennis**, assisted him.

Dr Peter English, of Duke University, arrived in July for a year's stay, having been awarded a Burroughs Wellcome grant to write a volume on the history of rheumatic fever.

Dr Maria Frawley (Dept of English, Elizabethtown College) returned for a further two weeks in mid-October to complete her study of the literature of Victorian invalids.

Dr Jon Lewis, Professor of Pathology at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine (Wake Forest University), was awarded a grant to investigate the influence of British biomedical sciences on the evolution of haemostasis in the USA during the period 1900–1970, with an emphasis on von Willebrand's disease. He was accompanied by his wife, **Cinda Lewis**, who was making a study (not Burroughs Wellcome-

funded) of the history of mental health services in educational settings, with an emphasis on mental health services for children and families. They spent ten weeks with us from mid-August.

Professor Barry Milligan (Wright State) returned at the beginning of April for a three-month visit to look at reciprocal influences between the medical professions and popular representations of them in nineteenth-century Britain.

As usual, we attracted a large number of scholars who were either self-funded, or funded by other institutions

Professor Rima Apple, of the University of Wisconsin, spent a couple of months from September working on the history of scientific motherhood, focusing on the shifting relationship between mothers and physicians in the twentieth century. While here, she gave a talk as part of the History of Twentieth-Century Medicine Group seminar programme and spoke at our Work in Progress seminar.

Dr Abby Beach, a research fellow at the Open University, is writing *A History of the United Kingdom Central Council for Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors (1969–1993)*.

Professor Allen Debus (Chicago) returned in April to spend a month working on his book on the chemical debates in medicine, c.1650–1750.

Professor Ian Dowbiggin, of the University of Prince Edward Island, spent two months of his sabbatical year with us working on the history of eugenics and the history of paranoia as a disease concept.

Dr Elsbeth Heaman joined us in January. She is the co-author with Lara Marks, of Imperial College, of a history of St Mary's Hospital Medical School.

Dr Tim Horder, of the Dept of Anatomy, Oxford University, is working on the teaching of history of medicine to medical students, with an initial focus on physiology.

Dr Anne-Marie Kinzelbach (Heidelberg) came in February for three months as part of a study of the process of ageing in early modern society.

Dr Heidi Kyhl paid us two visits during the year to work on her University of Copenhagen PhD, 'The Development of Cancer Therapy in the Twentieth Century in Denmark'.

Dr John Lascaratos (Athens University) returned for a week in August to work on the Knights of St John, the Ionian Islands and Ancient Greek and Byzantine medicine.

Professor Rachel Lewinsohn (Campinas, Brazil), spent three weeks in late 1996 preparing a series of essays on the history of infectious diseases and on *A Primer of Health and Common Sense* (for wide distribution in Brazil). She also continued research for her book, *An Introduction to the Study of the History and Philosophy of Medicine*.

Professor Ruth Leys, of Johns Hopkins, spent two weeks in May studying William Sargant. This was part of a larger project on historical reflections on psychic trauma and she spoke on this at a Work in Progress seminar.

Dr Kent Maynard, of the Dept of Sociology/Anthropology, at Denison University, Ohio, spent seven months working on his book, *Making Kejdom Medicine: A social history of protection and healing in Cameroon*.

He was accompanied by **Dr Susan Diduk** (of the same dept) who, while affiliated to the University of Oxford, spent some of her time here, looking at the incidence of twinning in West Africa.

A regular visitor, **Dr Cornelius O'Boyle** (Notre Dame) was with us from June to mid-August. He was researching for a new project investigating the relationship between the literary text and visual representation in medical works during the transition from a manuscript culture to printed works.

Dr Sharon Packer, of the New School of Social Research, New York City, spent some time during late 1996 looking at the European ergot epidemics and their association with three major Jewish mystical movements, from medieval to early modern times.

Professor Robert Proctor, of the Dept of History of Science at Penn State, joined us for three weeks in July to complete his history of Nazi cancer research and policy. He also worked on a history of molecular palaeoanthropology while here.

Constance Putnam (Massachusetts) returned in September for a three-month stay to complete her book on the history of Dartmouth Medical School.

Dr Martin Rudwick, Professor of History at University of California at San Diego, joined us in June to spend six months working on comparative anatomy as applied to the interpretation of fossil bones, animal and human, 1770–1840.

Professor Londa Schiebinger, of the Dept of History at Pennsylvania State, also spent three weeks in July preparing a book tentatively entitled, *Bodies of Ignorance: Gender in seventeenth- and eighteenth-century scientific exploration*. She also researched a history of the International Code of Botanical Nomenclature.

Professor Judy Segal, of the Dept of English, University of British Columbia, spent three weeks in August researching the characterization of headache patients and of dying patients over the past 100 years.

Professor Elaine Showalter (Princeton) returned in June for her annual visit and spent two months with us, recovering from the media interest stirred up by the publication of her book, *Hystories: Hysterical epidemics and modern culture*, which she researched largely while here during 1995.

Professor Tatyana Sorokina (Moscow) paid us one of her regular, short visits in September to continue her investigations into medicine in the Crimean War.

Dr Molly Sutphen took two weeks off from the University of California at San Francisco (UCSF), in July to work on her forthcoming book, *Imperial Hygiene: Medicine and colonial society, 1880–1930*.

Dr Alain Touwaide, an independent scholar from Barcelona, and his associate, **Emanuela Appetiti**, spent a month in spring compiling a bibliography of the history of pharmacology from Antiquity to Renaissance.

Professor Joanna Weinberg, of UCSF, spent three weeks in the spring looking at healthcare for the elderly and chronically ill in the UK, from the beginning of the NHS to the present.

Professor Warren Winkelstein (University of California at Berkeley) returned in May for a five-week stay to finish his biography of Janet Lane-Claypon.

Professor Juanita Wood, Adjunct Associate Professor at the Institute for Health and Aging, UCSF, arrived in late January to work on medicine and medieval English history. She remained with us until the end of May.

Dr Leila Zenderland, of the California State University at Fullerton, arrived in March to spend six weeks on her research project, 'The Heredity-Environment Debates, 1918–1945', concentrating particularly on the works of Lionel Penrose.

Ten PhD students from around the world joined us this year:

Yaarah Bar On spent two weeks working on her Tel Aviv thesis on the social history of practical gynaecology in early modern France.

Henriette Bruun, of Aarhus University, spent two weeks in December on her thesis, 'Epilepsy and Sudden Death in Antiquity'.

Ivan Crozier, of the University of New South Wales (Sydney), arrived at the end of September to work for three months on Havelock Ellis and his medical discourses on homosexuality.

Karin Enzinger spent January to March working on her Karl-Franzens-Universität (Graz) PhD thesis, 'Infant Mortality during the Nineteenth Century'.

Jonathan Fowler spent most of June on his University of Tennessee PhD on the activities of the Society for Bettering the Condition of the Poor and those who were associated with it.

Brenda Greenwell arrived in mid-July to research her Pittsburgh PhD thesis on illustrated manuscripts of veterinary medicine in the Middle Ages and Renaissance. She remained with us until early August.

Nina Hinke, of the History of Science Department, Paris VII University, spent six months from February working on a history of late nineteenth- to early twentieth-century pharmacology.

Teresa Huguet Termes spent two weeks in September working on her Barcelona PhD thesis on the contribution of *materia medica* contained in old European pharmacopoeias to modern pharmacology and medicine.

Heather McHold spent October and November conducting research for her Northwestern University, Illinois, thesis, 'Mediating Difference: The cultural engagement with deformity in Victorian England'.

Sybille Naglis joined us in January and spent three months working on her Karl-Franzens-Universität (Graz) PhD thesis, 'Epidemics and Epidemic Control in Austria during the Nineteenth Century'.

Of our long-term associates, **Dr Ann Dally** worked on nineteenth-century medicine and psychiatry. Her book, *Fantasy Surgery, 1880–1930: With special reference to Sir William Arbuthnot Lane*, was published in December as part of the Wellcome Series.

Natsu Hattori completed her two-year Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada postdoctoral fellowship, resulting in a study of the cultures of women, health and illness in seventeenth-century England. She remains at the Wellcome Institute as a research associate, to write a book from her University of Oxford DPhil thesis, on the interrelations between medicine and theatre in Renaissance England. This will form part of the new Routledge series on Shakespeare and Renaissance drama. In September, she presented a paper entitled,

'A Spectacle of Strangeness: Performing madness on the English Renaissance stage', in the Society for Renaissance Studies International Conference, 'The Renaissance Theatre: Texts, performance, design'. She is also co-supervising two doctoral students from the Faculty of English Language and Literature at the University of Oxford.

Monique Kornell co-curated an exhibition at the National Gallery of Canada (Ottawa), 'The Ingenious Machine of Nature: Four centuries of art and anatomy' which showed from 31 October to 5 January and travelled thereafter to the USA and Israel, where it closed on 7 September.

Cheryce Kramer completed work for her University of Chicago doctoral thesis, 'A Fool's Paradise – the Psychiatry of Gemueth in a Biedermeier Asylum'. It examines psychiatric practice in the southern German asylum Illenau during the period 1842–1889 whose practitioners held mental illnesses to be, literally, 'illnesses of the Gemueth'.

Professor Kan-Wen Ma continued work on his comparative study of the history of medicine – East and West. He was appointed external examiner to the BSc in traditional Chinese medicine at Middlesex University and to the Chinese language course at the Ming-Ai (London) Institute.

Dr Diana Manuel continued work on 'A Student Diary (Paris 1834–35)'. She continued to supervise special study modules for the London Hospital and St Bart's Hospital Medical Schools. In addition, she successfully negotiated the 'merger' of the Old Students' Association in University College (founded 1890) with the more recent University College London Alumnus Association, and continues to hold the Wardenship of Astor College, UCL.

Norris Saakwa-Mante concentrated on his Harvard PhD: 'Medicine and the Construction of Race in Britain, 1660–1800', and presented a paper to our Work in Progress, in May.

Dr Trevor Turner continues as Secretary to the History Group of the Royal College of Psychiatrists. He has lectured on the historical aspects of community care and schizophrenia, moral therapy and the history of psychiatry, including an invited presentation 'How Useful are Twentieth-century Diagnoses derived from Nineteenth-century Casebooks? – Money, madness and misogyny in Victorian society' at the Lausanne meeting 'Histoire de la Psychiatrie – Nouvelles Approches,

Nouvelles Perspectives' in February 1997. He is currently working on childhood insanity, psychiatry between the wars and a book on community care.

Dr Maria Unkovskaya completed her Trust-funded project on foreign medical practitioners in seventeenth-century Muscovy and a prosopographical study of foreign medical advisers to the Czars in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. The latter has been submitted to Cambridge University Press. She also prepared a monograph, *A Biographical Dictionary of Medical Practitioners in Muscovy in the Seventeenth Century*, which has been accepted for publication as a Wellcome Occasional Paper.

Dr Keir Waddington, having finished his work with Roy Porter on Bethlem, was appointed in January to write a history of St Bart's Medical School and medical education in London. He remains affiliated to the Unit.

Lise Wilkinson saw the completion and preparation for publication of her History of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (cowritten with Anne Hardy) and (again, with Anne) wrote a short article on the subject for *The Wellcome Trust Review*. She contributed to a book on tropical disease, published by the Wellcome Trust, and published an article in *Addiction*.

Four doctorates were awarded this year, as follows (examiners in brackets):

Dr Bettina Bryan, 'Wilhelm Erb's Electrotherapeutics: Scientific medicine in nineteenth-century Germany', January 1997 (Tilli Tansey and Holger Maehle).

Dr (Andreas-) Holger Maehle, 'Experimental Pharmacology and Therapeutic Innovation in the Eighteenth Century', December 1996 (Professor W H Brock and Roy Porter).

Katharina Rowold, "'The Academic Woman': Minds, bodies and education in Britain and Germany, c.1850 – c.1914', January 1997 (Dr Daniel Pick and Dr Cornelia Usborne).

Joshua Ruxin, 'Hunger, Science and Politics: The WHO and UNICEF nutrition policies, 1948–1978', November 1996 (Anne Hardy and Dr David Smith).

Dr Andrew Hodgkiss was successfully examined on his MD thesis 'From Lesion to Metaphor: Chronic pain without lesion in the British, French and German Medical Writings (1800–1914)' in October 1996 (Drs Mark Micale and Trevor Turner).

Having completed the MSc course, **David Aickin** took up a three-year Wellcome Trust studentship to work on 'The Development of Medical Services in British Guiana from Emancipation to 1915', under Dr Andrew Wear's supervision.

Louise Gray was also awarded a three-year Wellcome Trust studentship to work on 'A Study of Female Healers in Sixteenth- and Seventeenth-century Germany, with particular reference to Augsburg', under the supervision of Vivian Nutton.

Two part-time PhD students joined us during the year:

Mrs Cora Bone's University of London project, 'The Place of Biochemistry in the Medical Curriculum and its Perceived Relevance to Bedside Medicine', is supervised by Chris Lawrence.

Professor Elaine Murphy, Chairman of City and Hackney Community Services NHS Trust and formerly Professor of Psychogeriatric Medicine at United Medical and Dental School of Guy's and St Thomas' Hospitals, is working on a project entitled 'Managing Mental Disorder in East London, 1800–1900' under Roy Porter's supervision.

The Trust awarded three **MSc studentships** again this year. The recipients were: David Aickin, Wendy Neil and John Waller.

Research students actively working in the Unit in 1996–97 were as follows:

David Aickin, BA, MSc

The Development of Medical Services in British Guiana from emancipation to 1915

Patricia Archer, DipFA

A History of the Medical Artists' Association of Great Britain, 1949–1997

Michael Arton, BA, MPhil

The Professionalization of Mental Nursing in Great Britain, 1850–1930

Cora Bone, MEd

The Place of Biochemistry in the Medical Curriculum and its Perceived Relevance to Bedside Medicine (from 21 July 1997)

Bettina Bryan, MB, BS, MSc

Wilhelm Erb's Electrotherapeutics: Scientific medicine in nineteenth-century Germany (to January 1997)

Alexander Goldbloom, BA, MSc

Lay Medical Culture and the Intelligentsia, 1550–1750

Mark Gosbee, MA, MSc

Constitutional Anatomy: The interplay of medicine with political philosophy in England, 1649–1715, with special reference to physiological and anatomical representations of the body

Louise Gray, MA

A Study of Female Healers in Sixteenth- and Seventeenth-century Germany, with Particular Reference to Augsburg

Jennifer Haynes, MA, DipArchAdmin

Women in the Public Health Professions in London, 1890–1940 (to August 1997)

Juliet Hurn, MSc, MB, ChB

The History of General Paralysis of the Insane, 1820–1950

Fred James, BS, MD, FRCPsych

The Life and Work of Thomas Laycock (1812–1876), with Special Reference to Neuropsychiatry

Shang-Jen Li, DDS, MSc

The Inception of Mansonian Tropical Medicine: British medicine in nineteenth-century China and the early career of Patrick Manson

Andreas-Holger Maehle, Dr med, Dr med Habil

Experimental Pharmacology and Therapeutic Innovation in the Eighteenth Century (to 2 December 1997)

David Marjot, MB, FRCPsych

A History of Broadmoor

Piers Mitchell, BSc, MSc, MB, BS

Orthopaedic and General Surgery in the Crusades to the Medieval Eastern Mediterranean

Elaine Murphy, MB, ChB, MD, FRCPsych

Managing Mental Disorder in East London, 1800–1900 (from 3 February 1997)

Julie Peakman, MA

Female Sexuality in Eighteenth-century Erotica

Katharina Rowold, BA

‘The Academic Woman’: Minds, bodies and education in Britain and Germany, c.1850 – c.1914 (to 30 November 1996)

Joshua Ruxin, BA, MPH

Hunger, Science and Politics: The WHO and UNICEF nutrition policies, 1948–1978 (to August 1996)

Sonu Shamdasani, BA, MSc

An Intellectual Biography of Jung

Patricia Archer resigned from the Board of Examiners, the Education Committee and the Fellowship Board of the Medical Artists’ Association in 1997, but remains as Honorary Archivist to the Association.

Michael Arton’s research for his PhD on mental nursing was interrupted by bad health. He hopes to submit by the end of 1997.

Jennifer Haynes left the Library at the end of August and transferred her thesis to the Institute of Education. Anne Hardy remains as secondary supervisor.

Shang-Jen Li continued work on his Imperial College PhD, on the inception of Mansonian tropical medicine. In addition, he coorganized the Pacific Asia Culture Studies Forum at the Centre for Cultural Studies, Goldsmiths College. The forum holds a fortnightly seminar series at the College and will hold an international conference in July 1998. He joined the editorial board of *Hope*, a journal of medical professionals in alliance in Taiwan, and writes regularly for the journal. He gave a paper ‘Sell off her Leprosy: British medical discourse on leprosy in nineteenth-century China’ at the Pacific Asia Cultural/Colonial Studies Conference at Essex University in July.

Dr Piers Mitchell presented a paper on surgery in the Crusades and the Latin East, at the Institute of Historical Research in March 1997.

In December, **Katharina Rowold** began a year's Wellcome Trust fellowship on her project 'The Intellectual Woman: Britain, Germany and Spain, c.1860–1914'.

Sonu Shamdasani presented lectures on Jung to the following institutions: The Cambridge Group for the History of Psychiatry, Psychoanalysis and Allied Sciences; Thomas Reid Institute, University of Aberdeen; Oxford Brookes University; The Philadelphia Association, London; The Independent Association of Psychotherapists, London, and as part of our own French Medicine Seminar Series, as well as speaking at conferences at Birkbeck College and in Geneva, Lausanne, Aberdeen, Avignon and Portland, Maine.

The Wellcome Trust's History of Twentieth-Century Medicine Group has had a further successful year of seminars and Witness Seminars, which continue to attract substantial audiences of historians, scientists, clinicians and others interested in the history of modern medicine and medical science.

The year's seminar programme began with a paper by Professor John Waterlow on 'Kwashiorkor', which was followed by a paper on being a participant observer of patient-orientated clinical research for over 45 years, entitled 'Experiment Perilous', given by Professor Renée Fox of the University of Pennsylvania, USA. This was followed in December by a talk on 'The Impact of Medical Philanthropy in the US', given by Professor Alex Bearn from the Rockefeller Foundation in New York. Four Witness Seminars were also held during the spring and summer terms. These were: 'Research in General Practice', coorganized with Dr Ian Tait; 'Drugs and Psychiatric Illness'; 'The MRC Common Cold Unit', coorganized with Dr David Tyrrell; and 'The First Heart Transplant in the UK', coorganized with Professor Tom Treasure. These meetings were all recorded, and it is hoped that edited transcripts will be published in 1998.

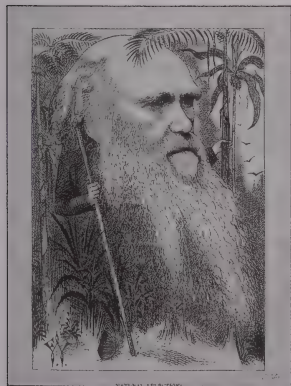
The first volume of edited manuscripts was published in 1997, containing the proceedings of the first four Witness Seminars held by the Group. The seminars were: 'Monoclonal Antibodies'; 'Self and Non-self, a history of autoimmunity'; 'Endogenous Opiates'; and 'The Committee for the Safety of Drugs'. Tilli Tansey largely undertook this editorial work with the assistance of Mrs Lois Reynolds and Ms Sonia Willhoft, who left in September 1996.

At the beginning of the academic year, **Dr Tilli Tansey** succeeded Sir Christopher Booth as Convenor of the Group, and we would like to record our gratitude to Sir Christopher for his sterling work in establishing the reputation of the Group. Fortunately, Sir Christopher remains on the Group's Steering Committee, chaired by Tilli Tansey. Other members during 1996–97 were Dr Stephen Lock (Wellcome Institute for the History of Medicine), Professor Vivian Nutton (Wellcome Institute for the History of Medicine), Dr David Gordon (Wellcome Trust), Dr Lara Marks (Imperial College) and Professor Tom Treasure (St George's Hospital), with secretarial assistance from Mrs Wendy Kutner.

Research

The activities of permanent staff of the Academic Unit are given below:

Dr David Allen completed a tenth year as Coordinator of the History of Medicine Programme for the Wellcome Trust before retiring at the end of June. He now plans to return to his long-standing project to reconstruct the folk tradition of herbal medicine in the British Isles. Meanwhile he is a major contributor to the *New Dictionary of National Biography*, completing 15 more articles for it during the year, and continues to assist with the teaching of the life sciences option in the MSc programme. He also serves on the editorial board of *History and Philosophy of the Life Sciences*.



Charles Darwin. Wood engraving.
Wellcome Institute Library, London.

As mentioned last year, **Janet Browne** was away from the Institute for the year as Visiting Senior Research Fellow at King's College, Cambridge. While learning to pass the port she also gave a number of papers to groups including the Cambridge Bibliographical Society, the Human Diversity Research Centre and Cokethorpe School, Oxfordshire; and a college after-dinner speech during International Women's Week. In February, she delivered a sermon in King's College Chapel. In between, she accumulated the bulk of her second volume on **Charles Darwin**.



English Heritage restoration work at Down House, the home of Charles Darwin. *David Mansell.*

During the year she advised English Heritage on the restoration of **Down House** and became the Wellcome's representative on the management panel of the *Darwin Correspondence* (two projects recently funded by the Trust). She continued as one of the science editors for the *New Dictionary of National Biography*. Her duties as editor of the *British Journal for the History of Science* were maintained with a bumper crop of special issues marking the fiftieth anniversary of the society's foundation. In July, she contributed to Melvyn Bragg's series of Radio 4 programmes *Giant's Shoulders*. She returned to the Institute in October 1997 as a full-time member of staff.

Professor W F Bynum divided his time between reducing a long list of past writing commitments and working on malaria in India and on the impact of evolutionary biology on medicine. Among the former were articles on the Great Chain of Being and on medicine and society in the nineteenth century for encyclopaedias, and an essay on Francis Newman for a *Festschrift* for Peter Gay. In the malaria line, he edited, with Professor Bernardino Fantini, and contributed to a large collection of papers on the history of malaria, published in early 1998. He and Caroline Overy made good progress on their edition of the complete correspondence between Sir Ronald Ross and Sir Patrick Manson. In November

1996, he delivered the Henry Cohen Lecture in Liverpool on 'The Evolution of Germs and the Evolution of Disease', a topic on which he also spoke later that month at a conference on bacteriology at the Dibner Institute, Cambridge, Massachusetts. He also spoke at a symposium at the American Historical Association meeting in New York City in January 1997, on medical education in Great Britain. He also spoke at the annual meeting of the Association for the Study of Medical Education in July, in Cambridge, on the history of the pre-registration year. He spent three weeks as the Institute's representative at the Institute in Johns Hopkins, where he spoke on his malaria work. He participated in a workshop on Epistemology and Medicine, in Padua, in July. He broadcast on the BBC World Service and Radio 3's *Nightwaves*. Three of his PhD students and one MD student successfully defended their theses and he examined a PhD student for Aston University, Birmingham. He continued to sit on four editorial boards, and to co-edit *Medical History* and the Wellcome Series in the History of Medicine, published by Rodopi.

With colleagues at UCL and the British Museum, **Dr Lawrence I Conrad** coorganized a very successful two-day symposium on a hitherto neglected topic, 'Concepts of Disease in Ancient Babylonia'. As President of the International Association for the Study of Traditional Asian Medicine (IASTAM), he continues to be active in fields outside of his own specialization, and current plans include the quinquennial International Conference on Traditional Asian Medicine, for which negotiations for a 1999 venue in Asia are in hand. This year he attended conferences in London, Providence, Philadelphia, Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Halle, and Amman.

Dr Brian Dolan joined us in September to take on Janet Browne's teaching commitments while she was at Cambridge. He enjoyed reconstructing and teaching the B12 'Man's Place in Nature' and MSc 'History of the Life Sciences' courses. In addition, he had a usefully productive year with regard to his own research and publications. He edited a book, *Science Unbound: Geography, space, & discipline*, which was published in December 1997 and wrote six articles (as well as a number of encyclopaedia entries and book reviews) which have been accepted for publication. He gave talks at Oxford University, the Geological Society of London, and the Wellcome Institute and organized a session on 'Teaching Technologies in Nineteenth-century Medical Sciences' for the History of Science Society annual

conference taking place in San Diego in November 1997. He also currently organized a conference on 'Botany in Nineteenth-century Britain,' sponsored by the Society for the History of Natural History, held at Cambridge University (May 1998).

Dr Anne Hardy worked on a variety of research projects during this year, mostly associated with her current research project on the history of epidemiology 1890–1940, using the salmonellas as a vehicle for examining the processes of change. She delivered papers at the Paediatric Department of St Mary's Hospital, at the PHLS/CDSC conference on 'Infectious Disease in the Millennium', and at a workshop on 'Public Health through the Perspective of the Social Sciences' at the École Nationale de Santé Publique, Rennes, France. She also organized a Wellcome Institute symposium on health and the environment with Andrew Wear. She continued to administer the Intercalated BSc programme, and to teach 'Medicine and Modern Society' for it. She supervised two part-time PhD students, Carole Reeves and Jennifer Haynes. She continued to serve on the Metropolitan History Committee of the Institute of Historical Research.

Dr Nick Hopwood's Research Fellowship in the Cambridge Wellcome Unit was intermitted for a further two years so that he could come to the Institute as Lecturer to cover Bill Bynum's teaching while he is on leave. He taught courses on disease in history, and medicine in society. He continued research on the history of embryology, focusing this year on the work of late nineteenth-century German anatomists in producing wax models of embryogenesis and establishing norms of human development. The search for archival material took him to the Ernst-Haeckel-Haus in Jena and the Naples Zoological Station. He gave a seminar at INSERM U-158 in Paris and a Wellcome Lecture at the Institute for the History of Science in Utrecht. In July, he spoke in a session in honour of Frederick B Churchill at the International Society for the History, Philosophy and Social Studies of Biology meeting in Seattle. In Cambridge he was appointed an Affiliated Research Scholar of the Department of History and Philosophy of Science, continued as an Advisory Editor of *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science*, co-taught a course on 'Laboratories and Disciplines from the Napoleonic Wars to National Socialism', and enjoyed the last year of a Research Fellowship at Darwin College.

Dr Christopher Lawrence completed and delivered to the publishers two edited volumes, *Science Incarnate* (with Stephen Shapin) and *Greater Than the Parts* (with

George Weisz). He also completed editing and delivered for publication, *The Letters of Anthony Fothergill* (with Christopher Booth and Paul Lucier). He successfully applied for a Wellcome history of medicine project grant (with Michael Barfoot and Steve Sturdy) to study the biochemistry laboratory of the University of Edinburgh in the inter-war years. He has begun a preliminary analysis of the work done in the laboratory in the 1920s. He retires as convenor of the MSc programme but remains very active as a teacher and administrator on the course. He remains on the editorial board of *Annals of Science*.

Dr Michael Neve continued his research on biomedical and wider versions of degenerationist writings in the late nineteenth century; on the history of psychiatric accounts of insanity in early childhood; on the reception of psychoanalysis within mainstream British psychiatry and on Charles Darwin's autobiography, an edition of which he is currently preparing for Penguin Classics. He continued his undergraduate teaching on the history of degeneration and the history of psychiatry (Dr Dolan's temporary appointment gave him a year's relief from the MSc) and maintained the organization of the fortnightly seminar series on the history of science and medicine. He also continued as reviews editor for *History of Psychiatry* and on the editorial board of the *London Review of Books*. He chaired and lectured at a meeting in February at the Courtauld, jointly run with the Hayward Gallery, on the art work of the insane, especially in the famous Prinzhorn collection. In May 1997, he lectured at the Thomas Reid Institute in Aberdeen in their series on classical medical texts and attended a history of psychiatry conference in Exeter in the summer.

'Galen and the Stress of Living', the title of a paper **Vivian Nutton** delivered to a conference in Denmark in May 1997, should not be interpreted autobiographically. Nonetheless, he has managed to combine his duties as Head of the Academic Unit with numerous lectures elsewhere. In Scotland, he spoke at Aberdeen, on ancient orthopaedics, and at Edinburgh, where he delivered the Haldane Tait Lecture to the Scottish Society for the History of Medicine. He visited Oxford three times, as a DPhil. examiner and as a lecturer at the Wellcome Unit (on Renaissance Ferrara) and at Brasenose (on editorial problems in Galen). In London, he addressed the Harveian Society on 'New Oaths for Old', a theme he repeated to students at the London Hospital. In April, he travelled to Vancouver to give a plenary lecture to the Renaissance Society of America, on Renaissance

medical humanism, and spoke at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana. In March, he travelled to Alkmaar to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the death of Pieter van Foreest, returning with a medal for his services to Dutch renaissance medicine. In February 1997, he went to Paris, where he delivered a public lecture, in French, on Arabic medicine in the Renaissance at the Institut du Monde Arabe. His presentation, which coincided with a major exhibition on Arabic medicine, was given against a spectacular backdrop of a floodlit Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame. His other continental foray, to talk on renaissance biographies of Galen at the Herzog-August-Bibliothek in Wolfenbüttel, renewed his acquaintance with an important research library and institute.



Resource pack to accompany the BBC Schools series *Medicine through Time*.
Wellcome Institute Library, London.

His other activities have centred upon introducing the history of medicine to medical students and to a wider public. He has chaired a national committee to look at ways of introducing medical history into the rapidly changing curricula of the UK medical schools. This has tried to coordinate work being done already by the Historical Section of the Royal Society of Medicine, the Apothecaries, and the Wellcome Trust, and it has revealed, for perhaps the first time, what teaching in the subject is taking place in medical schools and in what form. For a vastly different audience, he has been codirecting with the BBC Schools Department five programmes on the history of medicine for pupils taking GSCE History. Sponsored by the Trust, and using Wellcome academics as advisers, not to mention the resources of the Institute Library, the series, in *History File*, was broadcast in February 1998. It will be repeated for four years, before an estimated seven million viewers, not all of them children. Both in its format (using actors, and showing many original documents and objects) and in the teaching packs that accompany it, it is very different from the usual academic lecture – no card games given out there. It offered a wonderful opportunity to inform the general public about the way in which medical history has changed over the last 20 years.

Roy Porter completed writing his share of *Gout: The patrician malady* (co-authored with G S Rousseau), published by Yale University Press in 1998. He also finished his share of *A History of Bethlem Hospital* (co-authored with Jonathan Andrews, Asa Briggs, Penny Tucker and Keir Waddington), published by Routledge in September 1997. In addition he researched and wrote four chapters on the attack on witchcraft and magical beliefs in eighteenth- and nineteenth-century Europe, to be published in the fifth volume of S Clark (ed.), *A History of Witchcraft and Magic* (London: Athlone, 1999). Much of his time, however, was spent writing, from the beginning to the end, *'The Greatest Benefit to Mankind': A medical history of humanity*, a student textbook of the history of medicine (published by HarperCollins late in 1997).

At the beginning of the academic year, he organized (jointly with Professor John Hinnells of SOAS) a three-day conference on the history of suffering; since then, he has spent time editing the ensuing volume [John Hinnells and Roy Porter (eds), *Religion, Health and Suffering* (London: Kegan Paul, 1998)]. Lecturing trips abroad included a visit to the USA in April 1997 – to Oregon State University (Corvallis), UCLA and Purchase College, New York; another in May, when he lectured at Kalamazoo College (Michigan) and Carleton University (Ottawa); and another in September, during which he lectured at Saskatoon (Canada).

Dr Tilli Tansey continues to research and publish on the history of a variety of twentieth-century medical sciences. As the Convenor of the History of Twentieth-Century Medicine Group, she has organized a number of seminar and Witness Seminar meetings (see pp. 34–35), she produces the Group's *Newsletter*, and supervises practising clinicians and scientists on short-term fellowships in history of medicine. She has given talks at the University of Liverpool, the Royal Free Hospital Medical School, the Wellcome Centre for Medical Science, London, and the Huizinga Institute, Amsterdam. She continues as Honorary Archivist of the Physiological Society, and is involved in several projects to identify and preserve historically valuable material, and also serves on the editorial board of the Society's *Magazine*. She was invited by the Programme Committee of the International Union of Physiological Sciences to organize and chair their first ever workshop on the history of physiology at the International Congress in St Petersburg, to which she also contributed a paper. She continues to serve as an Associate Editor of the *New Dictionary of National Biography*, as a Section Editor for the *Oxford Companion*

to the Body, and on the editorial boards of *Notes and Records of the Royal Society* and the *Journal of Medical Biography*. She supervises intercalated history of medicine students and contributes to University College's BSc neurosciences course.

Dr Andrew Wear has been writing his book on the knowledge and practice of early modern English medicine. He has also been preparing for publication his volume, *Health and Healing in Early Modern England*. He coorganized a one-day conference, on Health and the Environment at the Wellcome Institute and gave an invited paper, 'Disease and Colonisation in the Early Modern Period' at the 66th annual Anglo-American Conference of Historians at the Institute of Historical Research. During the year, he advised the BBC Schools Department on their series on the history of medicine for pupils taking GCSE History. He was asked to act as a referee by the *Lancet*, *Bulletin for the History of Medicine*, *British Journal for the History of Science*, *Medical History* and Routledge. He is on the selection boards for entry to UCL medical school and for the human sciences degree. He continues on the editorial board of *Renaissance Studies*.

Medical History completed its 41st volume; containing 544 pages, 20 major articles, two obituaries, 19 news items and 114 reviews and notices. Of the 48 manuscripts received, 27 were published. The 1996 supplement was *Small and Special: The development of hospitals for children in Victorian Britain* by Elizabeth Lomax.

The Wellcome Institute Series in the History of Medicine, edited by Bill Bynum and Roy Porter, published the following new titles this year:

Ann Dally	<i>Fantasy Surgery, 1880–1930</i>
Andrea Rusnock	<i>The Correspondence of James Jurin</i>
Peter Fleming	<i>A Short History of Cardiology</i>
Roger Cooter and Bill Luckin (eds)	<i>Accidents in History</i>

Volumes in the series are available to Friends of the Wellcome Institute at 20 per cent discount. In addition, volume 3 of the Wellcome Institute's Occasional Series, W F Bynum (ed.), *Gastroenterology in Britain: Historical essays* was published this year.

Teaching

A total of 32 medical students attended the 1996/97 'intercalated' session. They are listed below (with their medical school and final degree class):

Saphnalaxmi Amin	St Mary's	II.i
Michelle Ansley-Watson	London Hospital	II.i
Ayla Atun	University of Sheffield	I
Hannah Baynes	Royal Free	II.i
John Bhoyroo	St Mary's	I
Katherine Bray	UMDS*	II.i
Laura Cunningham	UCL	I
Christy Davis	Edinburgh University	I
Charles Evans	St George's	II.i
Dan Foulds	UCL	II.i
Tamsin Gregory	UCL	II.i
Ruchi Gulati	Edinburgh University	II.ii
Rebecca Hull	UMDS*	II.i
Dellna Illavia	Charing Cross	II.ii
Christine Johnston	UMDS*	II.i
James Kirkby-Bott	St George's	II.i
Susan McInnes	University of Newcastle	I
Lucy Mendham	St Mary's	I
Alice Nicholls	Bart's	I
James Platt	St Mary's	
Natasha Price	St Mary's	II.ii
Kim Reynolds	UMDS*	II.i
Seosoon Seah	St Mary's	II.i
Nicholas Silversides	UMDS*	II.i
Rinki Singh	Edinburgh University	I
Kate Taylor	UCL	II.i
Ivy Teoh	UMDS*	I
Frances Warneford	UMDS*	II.i

Thomas Webb	Bart's	I
Siobhan Whitley	Bart's	II.i
Janine Younis	St Thomas's	II.i

*UMDS (United Medical and Dental School of Guy's and St Thomas' Hospitals)

The Friends prize for the best student dissertation was awarded to Tom Webb for his thesis on Craiglockhart Hospital.

The half-unit courses, taken by intercalated students and students from other science departments, were as follows:

1. History of Medicine B12: Man's Place in Nature: The debate in Britain 1750–1900, 22 lectures, Dr Dolan (20 students)
2. History of Medicine C20: Medicine, Disease and Society from Antiquity to Renaissance, 24 lectures, Professor Nutton (33 students)
3. History of Medicine C21: Madness and Society, 24 lectures, Dr Neve (114 students)
4. History of Medicine C22: Patients and Doctors in History, 20 lectures, Professor Porter (46 students)
5. History of Medicine C111: Medicine and Modern Society, 22 lectures, Dr Hardy (42 students)
6. History of Medicine C116: Colonial and Empire Medicine, 22 lectures, Dr Wear (26 students)
7. History of Medicine C118: Disease and History, 22 lectures, Dr Hopwood (18 students)
8. History of Medicine C119: The Eastern Medical Traditions in Historical Context, 22 lectures, Drs Lawrence Conrad, Dominik Wujastyk and Chris Cullen (ten students)
9. History of Medicine C122: The Rise of Modern Medicine, 1650–1900, 22 lectures, Dr Lawrence (35 students)

10. History of Medicine C7: Research dissertation in the history of medicine, members of staff (all intercalated students)

In addition, a number of courses were offered to history and other students from the colleges of the University of London:

1. History of Medicine C113: Medicine in the Islamic Near East, 22 lectures, Dr Conrad (three students)
2. History of Medicine C114: Madness and Society in Britain, 1680–1850, 22 lectures, Professor Porter (23 students)
3. History of Medicine C115: Health, Illness and Welfare in England, 22 lectures, Dr Wear (six students)
4. History of Medicine C117: Theme of Degeneration, 22 lectures, Dr Neve (four students)

In March, Nora Schuster Prizes were awarded by the Royal Society of Medicine to three former students, Paul Farrant, Hugh Matthews (also a winner in 1996) and Victor Smith for their dissertations.

Paul Farrant (UCL)

‘The British are Never their Best but in a Crisis?’

Hugh Matthews (UCL)

‘Medical Missions of the Baptist Missionary Society in Central Africa 1841–1992’

Victor Smith (Edinburgh)

‘Acupuncture or “Quackupuncture”? The conflict of interests in acupuncture 1970–1990s’

Dr Helen King, now of Reading University, and **Dr Malcolm Nicolson**, of the Wellcome Unit for the History of Medicine at Glasgow, acted as external examiners for a third year. Dr Nicolson was joined by Professor John Pickstone, of the Wellcome Unit for the History of Medicine at Manchester, as examiners for the medical sections of the MSc Course, in which the Institute participates through the London Centre for the History of Science, Medicine and Technology. Twenty-two students took the course in 1996–97, of whom nine were part-time.

Academic programme

The Unit's Academic programme of symposia, workshops, and seminars continues to flourish, attracting a variety of faithful audiences to hear speakers drawn from around the world. They also allow the institute the possibility of cooperating with outer groups and institutions. The symposium schedule was as follows:

1996	18 October	Anne Hardy and Dr Cornelia Usborne , Alternative Medicine in Modern Europe
1997	21 February	W F Bynum and Dr Trevor Turner , Making Sense out of Chaos: Psychiatric aspects of war, crisis and other trauma
	25 April	Anne Hardy and Andrew Wear , Health and the Environment
1997	18 June	Stephen Jacyna , The History of Neurolinguistics (with the International Society for the History of the Neurosciences)
	18–20 September	Roy Porter and Professor John Hinnells Religion, Health and Suffering (with the School of Oriental and African Studies)

In addition, **Chris Lawrence** and **Chandak Sengoopta** organized a small workshop in June, 'Medicine and the Glandular Vision of Life' and **Larry Conrad**, a workshop on Babylonian medicine (with Professor M J Geller and Dr I Finkel, of the Institute of Jewish Studies, UCL) in December. A further innovation was the signing of an agreement for academic cooperation with the History of Medicine group at the Huizinga Institute, Amsterdam. A joint meeting took place in Holland in June, at which Wellcome and Dutch speakers compared developments in medical practice in their own countries in the twentieth century.

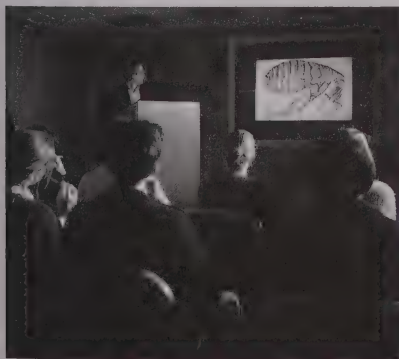
The Kass Lecture was given on 14 May 1997 by Professor Michael McVaugh, of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. His reflections on 'Cataracts and Hernias: Aspects of surgical practice in the fourteenth century' enthralled a large audience. Professor Jack Pressman, who visited us as part of our exchange with UCSF, gave a special lunchtime lecture on 21 March. The wealth of challenging new ideas revealed in his 'Maladjustment and the American Citizen' makes his sudden death on 23 June 1997 even more poignant.

The Wednesday seminar alternated between general papers, presided over by Michael Neve, and the theme of French medicine, organized by Stephen Jacyna, who introduced us to colleagues as well as ideas from across the Channel. On some Tuesdays, aficionados were faced with a hard choice between 'Medicine, Science and Technology in Asian Cultures', run by Larry Conrad and Dominik Wujastyk, and the meetings of the Twentieth-Century Group. On the first Monday in the month Bill Bynum and Professor Leon Fine continued to host the seminar on 'People and Ideas in Medical History', held at UCL. The Work in Progress Seminars, under Roy Porter's guidance, attracted larger audiences than ever before to hear the very latest discoveries from research students, fellows and visitors. The research fellows and students also held their own informal discussion groups.

Members of the Unit also attended the two-day meeting at UCL in June 1997, to mark the retirement of Geoff Burnstock from the Headship of the Anatomy

Department after more than 20 years.

While Tilli Tansey vividly described his research career, which began with putting condoms on fish, Roy Porter warned the audience of the dangers, mental, moral, and physical, of reading. Together, they expressed the Unit's thanks for all the advice, encouragement, and support that Geoff Burnstock has supplied over the years, and it was appropriate that he should be one of the first to be granted Honorary Membership of the Friends of the Wellcome Institute.



The Unit's Academic Programme invites speakers worldwide to participate. *Wellcome Trust Medical Photographic Library, London.*

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Introduction

The year under review has been one of development and change in the Library, but change set against a backdrop of continued adherence to the core activities that make the Library the great resource it is. The impetus for change has several roots: partly the natural and proper reaction to a changing world; partly a changeover of staff; and partly the consequences of implementing the recommendations of the major peer review of the Library, completed in spring 1996 by a team led by Chris Hunt, known as the Hunt Report. Much activity has gone on during the first three-quarters of 1997 to put structures in place, which will bear fruit in 1998 and beyond.

One of the key conclusions of the Hunt Report was that the Library should raise its profile. It is known and loved by a core group of users but has the potential to be more widely exploited. In order to achieve this, we must devise effective ways of publicizing ourselves in the right places. The establishment of an internal working party to consider Library promotion, and the delivery of its recommendations in October 1996, was mentioned in last year's Annual Report; since then, work has been taking place to follow these through. The Library's presence on the World Wide Web, as an integral part of the Wellcome Trust's Web site (www.wellcome.ac.uk), became a reality in December 1996. We now have pages there with information about our collections and services, and these are actively being reviewed and augmented. A major review of our printed pamphlets and introductory leaflets will lead to the appearance of new styles in 1998. It is important to integrate the Library as fully as possible with its wider peer group of academic and research libraries, and to this end we have become members of the **Consortium of University Research Libraries (CURL)**, and of the **Standing Conference of National and University Libraries (SCONUL)**. At the end of the calendar year of 1997, and after much negotiation over the fine print, the Institute also became an Associate Member of the **School of Advanced Study (SAS)** of the University of London. The activities of the Promotion Working Party were written up by Sue Gold and Chris Hilton for publication in the professional press (full details on p. 79), an excellent piece of publicity in its own right.

In order to carry out our essential functions, and the extraordinary activities being written about here, we must have an effective and efficient staffing structure in place. Structures evolve as years pass, sometimes led more by expediency than logic, and the Hunt Report drew attention to some of the departmental responsibilities which might usefully be reviewed. As a consequence, the Library underwent significant restructuring during the summer of 1997, by taking the Reader Services and Modern Medicine and Bibliographic Services (MOBS) departments, creating three departments where formerly there were two, and redistributing tasks between them. The new department, Collection Development, oversees all acquisition processes and is responsible for tackling issues of stock selection for modern materials, probably the Library's greatest intellectual challenge now and for some time to come. Cataloguing is concentrated in Bibliographic Services (the successor to MOBS) and Reader Services are able to concentrate more fully on the tasks their title implies. These changes also allowed us to amalgamate the Library Services teams, and to introduce a wider pool of people to work on the Enquiry Desk – both developments that generate greater flexibility in the use of resources.

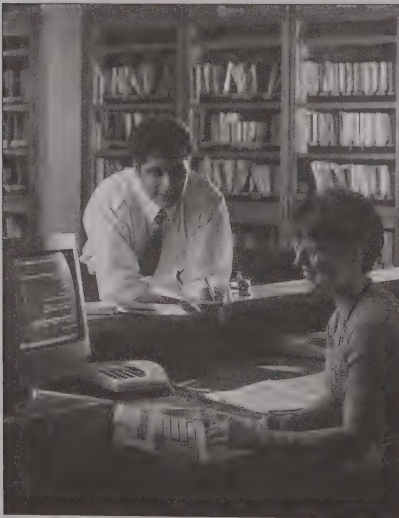
The Library's automated system is a key tool both for readers and staff and it has long been recognized that a replacement for the Urica system, introduced in 1988, is needed. Planning towards this end has been in train for some time but the process has suffered some delays beyond the Library's control. It is therefore heartening to report that it was put fully back on track by the appointment of a dedicated project manager in September 1997. Work is now well under way and at the time of writing this report a full operational requirement document is almost ready for despatch to potential suppliers. 1998 will be a busy year in this area and there will be much to report in this space 12 months from now.

Last year's report referred to the Library's love-hate relationship with its remote store at Enfield and confirmed that arrangements had been made to transfer to a much closer and more convenient warehouse in Hampstead Road, just ten minutes' walk from the main Wellcome Building. The wagons (laden with books and journals) began rolling in November 1996 and between then and the end of April approximately 90 000 volumes and boxes, and 600 pictures were taken off the racks at Enfield and moved to Hampstead Road. Much of the shelving was also moved as part of the process. A great deal of careful planning was involved, quite apart from

hard labour, and the completion of the task, on schedule, owes much to the dedication and effort of the staff involved.

It is important to stress, in concluding this introductory section, that these particular and extraordinary activities have been taking place while the Library has been busily carrying on with its regular tasks. We have been buying books and other materials, receiving donations, cataloguing the intake, serving readers, answering enquiries, continuing our programmes of exhibitions and publications, conserving the collections, and doing all the things that libraries must do. It is also heartening to record that the statistics show a general increase in most of these areas when compared with the figures for 1995/96. The range of the Library's activities, across its various departments, is considerable and more details are set out below.

The year 1998 will be another one of change and challenge, as restructuring within the Trust is bringing together the Wellcome Institute and the Wellcome Centre to create a new Division for *Medicine, Society and History*, of which the Library will form a part. It will also be an expanded Library, as the *Information Service*, the *Medical Photographic Library*, and the *Medical Film and Video Library* (previously parts of the Wellcome Centre) will become integral parts of one united library service. We will be working to build on our common aims and practices



while respecting the distinctions in focus and user groups that have allowed each of these services to develop as centres of excellence within their defined fields. The history of medicine will always be a core concern of the Library and we are resolved to continue to develop and exploit the collections as resources best permit. In the words of the Hunt Report, our collections "form a national treasure and an unrivalled national intellectual resource". It is both the privilege and the responsibility of the Library staff to manage that treasure, for readers today and in the future.



The new Medicine, Society and History division integrates the Library of the Wellcome Institute with the Information Service (opposite, photograph by *Greg Bailey*), the Medical Photographic Library (top) and the Medical Film and Video Library (above). *Wellcome Trust Medical Photographic Library, London.*

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Staff movements

Eric Freeman retired from the Trust on 7 March 1997, having joined the Library in 1961 and served as Librarian since 1973. During his long period in office, he oversaw and fostered many transformations in the Library, with growth and development on every front, from “an institution from an almost Dickensian mould; being made up...of large numbers of old books, a great deal of dust, very few staff and even fewer readers” (to use his own words) to the research library with all its functions and services as we know it today. As Director of the History of Medicine from 1988 (as well as Librarian), he had a wider remit, and was a key player in promoting the Trust’s support for the subject on all fronts. There is no space here to do justice to his long career devoted to the Library but readers of this report are encouraged to read Eric’s own account, as personal as it is entertaining, published in the *Health Libraries Review* (full details on p. 79).

Another long-serving senior member of staff, **Brenda Sutton**, retired in November 1996. She, too, had over 30 years’ experience of the Library; she joined in 1959 and remained here thereafter, apart from a two-year sojourn as History of Medicine Librarian at the University of British Columbia from 1970 to 1972. She was, inevitably, involved in many tasks over the years but most people will think of her as Head of Reader Services, a post she took on in 1987. She played a key role in developing the front-of-house team, whose standards of service have done great things for the Library’s reputation, and her immediately approachable and friendly style was hugely appreciated.

David Pearson joined in November 1996, as Librarian-Elect, to take over formally as Librarian in February 1997. He came from the National Art Library (NAL) at the Victoria and Albert Museum, where he had been in charge of Collection Development; previously he had worked in the British Library (on The Eighteenth-Century Short Title Catalogue) and in Durham University Library, where his responsibilities had included cataloguing the Kellett Collection of early medical imprints.

Wendy Fish, also from the National Art Library, joined in October 1996 to replace Brenda Sutton as Head of Reader Services. Wendy spent 13 years working in Reader Services at the NAL, the last seven of these as Information Services Manager, responsible for a team of 15. **Zina Šabović** was promoted to fill the new

position of Head of Collection Development and moved from her previous position as Acquisitions Librarian in August 1997. The expanding work of the Exhibitions Unit called for additional dedicated staff and **Denna Jones** joined as Exhibitions Officer in November 1996. She brings experience of having worked in several art-historical museums on both sides of the Atlantic, and was most recently an administrator with the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. **Anna Anstead** joined us on 23 June 1997 as a temporary cataloguer in Bibliographic Services, having previously been working in the Library of the School of Slavonic and East European Studies of London University.

Jennifer Haynes left the Library in August 1997, after four years in the Contemporary Medical Archives Centre (CMAC), to take up a newly created post of Archivist at the University of London Institute of Education. She worked on several projects for CMAC, listed a number of major collections, and worked latterly on the Wellcome Archives Project. Her professional skills, coupled with a sound grasp of automation possibilities for archival listing, were greatly appreciated by her colleagues and we wish her every success in her future career. **Rachel Davies**, after four-and-a-half years as an Assistant Librarian in Reader Services, was tempted to see life in another part of the Trust and accepted a temporary posting to Science Funding in February 1997. No one was surprised that her new section was unwilling to let her go and her job there was made permanent in May. Reader Services were sorry to lose her but we do at least have the consolation that she is still within the Wellcome walls. **Jenni Crisp** left in January 1997 after nine years' secretarial service, to run the office of a mortgage broker in Highgate Village. Other leavers included **Miriam Miller** (Early Printed Books Retrocon Project) in October 1996; **Margaret Lynch** and **Vivienne Johnson** (Enfield Store) in December 1996; and **Mick Gomez** (Enfield Store) in May 1997.

A number of temporary staff contributed to the Library's work during the year. **Glenda Whittaker** served as a temporary cataloguer between January and March, and the Library Services team benefited from the help of **Mick Gomez**, **Matthew Streeter**, **Ed Bishop** and **Wesley Ryk** who covered for various periods during staff illness. **Lorna Cunliffe-Lister** was employed during September to help with the cataloguing of the zoological prints and drawings, and **Benjamin Cook** in January to catalogue the moving-image films. The Library welcomed a number of student librarians during the year for work experience, including

Sabine Christe from the University of Lausanne, **Jenny Lund** from Camberwell College of Arts, and **Rachel Margolis** from UCL.



Library services to users remain an invaluable resource.
Wellcome Trust Medical Photographic Library, London.

Services to users

It has been an eventful and demanding year for the Reader Services and Library Services teams, but in spite of the numerous operational and staffing changes, the Assistant Librarians continued to win plaudits from users for the high level of service provided at the Enquiry Desk. This has been achieved in a climate of steadily growing demand, as statistics for the use of the Library showed a significant increase on previous years. Total visitor numbers were recorded as 17 558, 11 per cent up on last year, and the total number of enquiries recorded by Reader Services showed a marked increase of 27.6 per cent (up from 3296 to 4206). This pattern is reflected across all the collections; the Poynter Room (the reading room for rare and special materials) had a total of 3091 reader visits (as against 2710 in 1995–96).

The staff complement cannot grow at quite the same pace and we have to review our procedures to ensure that the best possible service is given to the widest group of users. During the year, enquiry services were examined and some changes were introduced to streamline our letter-answering processes, with some shift of emphasis away from carrying out detailed research on our correspondents' behalf, concentrating instead on helping users to identify the resources within which their answers will be found. This not only aligned us more closely with standard professional practice elsewhere, but also allowed us to eliminate a backlog and improve response times. A review of the photocopying service was carried out and preparations have been made for relocating it away from the Enquiry Desk. Redesign of the order/declaration form should help to eliminate the cumbersome and labour-intensive paperwork currently in use. Discussions were held between the Library, the Information Service, and the Royal Society of Medicine (RSM) Library about holding joint one-day copyright workshops to improve staff awareness.

The Reader Services Department has been heavily involved in efforts to promote the Library, for example, during Science Education and Technology Week, as well as in preparations for special events during National Libraries Week, the latter event itself falling outside the scope of this report. Reader Services has also taken on responsibility for coordinating visits for special interest groups and professionals and the Library has entertained 30 groups, representing 562 individuals, from a wide variety of backgrounds.



Richard Aspin heads the security review of access to collections in the Poynter Room. *Stephen Hyde.*

The importance of electronic information resources for researchers of all kinds is a case that hardly needs to be stated and technological developments are opening up new possibilities, and challenging traditional ways of working, all the time. Library users increasingly and rightly expect access to such resources and, although this is an area in which we have some catching up to do, we have been working to improve provision. Towards the end of the reporting year, public access to the Internet became available in the Catalogue Hall, using Netscape set up with bookmarks to important and obvious sites such as library catalogues and the home pages of major medical institutions. A dedicated PC holding CD-ROMs of the British Library catalogue, the *Eighteenth-Century Short Title Catalogue*, the *Index Kewensis* and the Biography Database 1680–1830 has also been set up there. Access is, moreover, now available to a range of networked CD-ROMs managed by the Information Service, including Medline, the Cochrane Database, and recent years' files of *The Independent* newspaper.

Maintaining the right balance between easy access and proper security is always difficult for custodians of special materials, who want their collections to be used but cannot allow them to be placed at unnecessary risk in an imperfect world. A working party on the security arrangements in the Poynter Room was convened during the year, under the chairmanship of Richard Aspin, which made a number of recommendations that have been implemented.

Acquisitions

A statistical breakdown of acquisitions for 1996–97 is shown in the table on p. 87–88. It shows the usual steady growth of the core collection of current publications relating to the history of medicine (2225 items purchased, similar to last year's figure of 2266), augmented by carefully selected materials for the various special collections. A summary list of significant acquisitions, broken down by collections, is shown on pp. 90–96; only particularly noteworthy items are mentioned here.

In the field of early printed books, acquisitions ranged across the Library's subject interests. Two notable paediatric items were **Steven Blankaart's** treatise of 1684, the first monograph on the subject in Dutch, and the first edition of **Nils Rosén von Rosenstein's** seminal work of 1764. In obstetrics, **Sarah Stone's** *Complete Practice of Midwifery* (1737), written to counteract the rise of male practitioners, had long been a desideratum. In the year of Bethlem Hospital's 750th anniversary it was appropriate to acquire **Thomas Tryon's** 1689 *Treatise of Dreams and Visions*, which includes the first published protest against the practice of treating Bethlem patients as a public spectacle.

In the field of nutrition, it was good to acquire **Johann Sigismund Elsholtz's** *Diaeteticon* (1682), previously Professor John Yudkin's copy. We were also able to purchase a full eight-volume set of **Fortunius Licetus's** *De Quaesitis*, 1640–55, containing his correspondence with his contemporaries on a variety of scientific, medical and religious topics. The series was published over 15 years in three cities, and the Library hitherto had only odd volumes; we have not traced another major repository with a similarly complete set.

In the oriental sphere, the year's outstanding acquisition was a collection of 44 **Japanese medical block-printed books and manuscripts**, dating from the sixteenth to the eighteenth centuries. Early Japanese medical books are rare, even in Japan, and this collection, formed privately in France, includes a number of printed items that are apparently unique. The purchase complemented superbly the existing Wellcome collections of Japanese material, and transformed us at a stroke into the leading Western repository for such material. Also acquired during the course of the year were a finely illustrated **Thai** medical manuscript, featuring medical demons, dating from the late eighteenth or early nineteenth century; three late medieval **Sanskrit** manuscripts, all illustrated, relating to erotica, religio-magical medicine,

and meteorology; and a **Hebrew** manuscript of the eighteenth century containing medical receipts.

The major addition to the Western Manuscripts was the collection of papers formed by Anthony Morson, relating to his chemist ancestor Thomas Morson and the firm he founded, **Thomas Morson & Son Ltd**; they were the first in Britain to synthesize morphine and quinine. Also noteworthy is a mid-seventeenth-century English medical recipe book purchased at auction, containing a very suggestive inventory of named authorities for the recipes.

Amongst the 58 accessions recorded by the Contemporary Medical Archives Centre, it is worth pointing to the archive of the **British Association of Occupational Therapists**, dating from their foundation in 1936. These records complement nicely our existing holdings of records from the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy. The records of **Fennings Pharmaceuticals**, a business founded in 1836, which became especially strong in proprietary medicines for children, should prove important for historians of the pharmaceutical industry. The donation of the autobiography of **Florence Fenwick Miller**, a leading Victorian feminist and one of the first women to qualify in medicine in the UK, offers a fascinating insight into the pioneering years for women in medicine in this country. The autobiography describes her early struggles and her experiences of medical education.

The CMAC already holds some memorabilia of the **Nation's Fund for Nurses**, acquired with the archives of the Queen's Nursing Institute. It was very pleasing to augment this material with a further 13 boxes of papers, containing the Fund's complete minutes for 1919–1980, which were discovered at QNI Headquarters. Another significant addition to an existing CMAC collection was the two surviving minute books of the (London) **Association of Registered Medical Women**, 1879–1925, received with other additional materials from the Medical Women's Federation as a result of Lesley Hall's article about the archive in *Medical Woman*. Additional papers given by the son of **C P Blacker**, sometime General Secretary of the Eugenics Society, nicely augment Blacker papers already taken in via the Wellcome Unit at Oxford, and supplement those of the Eugenics Society archive itself.

The major acquisitions event for the Iconographic Collections was the generous donation by **Mrs Rita Simon** of over 500 selected paintings and drawings produced during her career in art therapy from 1942 to the 1970s, and extensively documented in her published work. Anatomical drawings acquired, dating from the



Archive poster 'Your Queen's Nurse!', c.1940, from the Queen's Nursing Institute acquired by the CMAC (SA/QNI/N.11/2). *Wellcome Institute Library, London.*



A mother protecting her baby. Poster for an appeal for starving children.
Photolithograph by Käthe Kollwitz. Wellcome Institute Library, London.

sixteenth century through to the nineteenth, included two woodcuts by **François Jollat** in 1545; a pair of drawings by **Auguste Joron**, c.1810, pictured against striking and unusual classical landscape backgrounds; and a drawing by **Eugène Delacroix** (1798–1863), in a characteristically free and uncomposed style.

Among eighteenth-century works added, it is a pleasure to acknowledge the first acquisition made for the Library by the Friends of the Wellcome Institute, a chalk drawing of Aesculapius by **Giovanni Battista Cipriani** (1727–85), drawn for the Norfolk medical practitioner and dilettante William Bewley. A small oil painting of a surgical operation by **Gerrit Lundens** (1649) improves our seventeenth-century holdings of works directly representing medical scenes, a theme very much in line with Sir Henry Wellcome's collecting vision. Although most of the works mentioned here are earlier, it is worth adding that the majority of iconographic acquisitions, even excluding the Rita Simon collection, came from the twentieth century. They include posters and ephemera, and six prints by **Käthe Kollwitz**, dated 1920–23, which bring into the Library's ambit a major artist well known for her concern with the socio-political aspects of ill health.

Exhibitions review

Our exhibitions play a vital role in promoting the Institute's profile to a wider public and the year just past was a splendidly busy one during which the exhibitions programme went from strength to strength.

In the main History of Medicine Gallery, on the fourth floor of the Wellcome Building, 'Abracadabra: The magic of medicine' closed in November 1996 after an estimated 5000 visitors had made it the Gallery's best visited show to date. The next exhibition, 'Doctor Death: Medicine at the end of life' opened in January 1997. Based on collaboration with Ruth Richardson and Francis McKee, the exhibition explored the complex history of the relationship between death and medicine. The endless fascination of death ensured that a new record of around 7000 visitors had been achieved by the time the show closed in July. The final exhibition of the year, 'Saving Bodies, Saving Souls: Hospitals in history' was opened in September by the Rt Hon. Frank Dobson MP, the Secretary of State for Health. This charts the evolution of the look and role of hospitals, as well as patients' changing experiences of them, across a thousand-year history. All these exhibitions received favourable and widespread media coverage, and were accompanied by illustrated catalogues with exhibition text and thematic essays.



'Biomedical Image Awards' exhibition at the Two10 Gallery held from February to April 1997.
Wellcome Trust Medical Photographic Library, London.

In addition to the major displays in the Gallery, a regularly changing programme of smaller exhibitions were mounted in the Library reading room throughout the year. Topics during 1996–97 included gastroenterology, Hong Kong, and Japanese medicine; a full list is on pp. 85–86. A new initiative this year has been an additional series of small displays in the modern medicine reading room, where themes have included fitness and exercise, pharmaceutical ephemera, and birth control. To mark the opening of the Trust's Genome Campus at Hinxton, an extended reading room display on 'Genetic Cultures' was mounted (spilling across to the main entrance area of the Wellcome Building). The Exhibitions Unit was heavily involved in other ways at Hinxton, presenting two other exhibitions on site and commissioning a stained-glass window from Kathy Shaw. A selection of prints from the Iconographic Collections was mounted in Hinxton Hall at the time of the royal opening.



Scanning electron micrograph of the cochlea (few millimetres long) of a guinea pig inner ear by Dr David Furness. Exhibited at the *Biomedical Image Awards* from February to April 1997 at the Two10 Gallery. *Wellcome Trust Medical Photographic Library, London.*



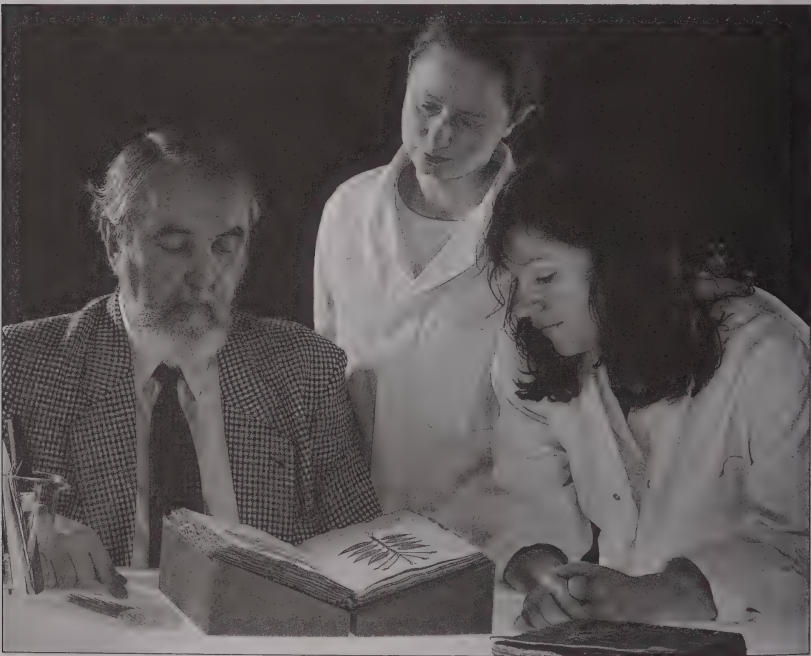
'Dispossessed'. Etching by May Lesser. Exhibited at 'The Art of Medicine' from May to November 1997 at the Two10 Gallery. *Wellcome Trust Medical Photographic Library, London.*

Demand for the loan of Library materials for inclusion in external exhibitions continues to grow. During 1996–97, items were lent to some 14 displays at home and abroad, including exhibitions in the National Library of Scotland, the Grolier Club of New York, the Prado Museum in Madrid, the Institut du Monde Arabe in Paris and the National Gallery of Canada.

The Exhibitions Unit also runs the Two10 Gallery on the other side of Euston Road, where displays investigate the overlap between contemporary art and medicine. The 'Biomedical Image Awards' exhibition ran there from February to April 1997, and 'The Art of Medicine: Works by May Lesser, Virginia Powell and Tabitha Salmon' from May to November. A new venture during the year was the coordination of a funding initiative entitled Sci-Art, where scientists and artists were invited to apply as partnerships working on public projects. Six exciting ideas were funded, on such dizzyingly varied themes as dress designs based on the human embryo, portrait artists influencing facial surgeons, and photographs rendered in stay-green grass.

Conservation and preservation

The conservation of the collections is an ongoing concern and, as usual, activities in this area were led by the in-house professional team, supplemented by a wide range of work that is contracted out. According to a rotating scheme which has become established and works well, two collections are singled out each year for the concentrated attention of the in-house staff. During 1996–97, the focus fell on the Early Printed Book Collection and the Contemporary Medical Archives Centre. For the former, much work was concentrated on small-format books, which present particular vulnerabilities in storage and handling, and 150 such books were surface-cleaned, structurally surveyed, and boxed. Additionally, 11 books received varying degrees of repair.



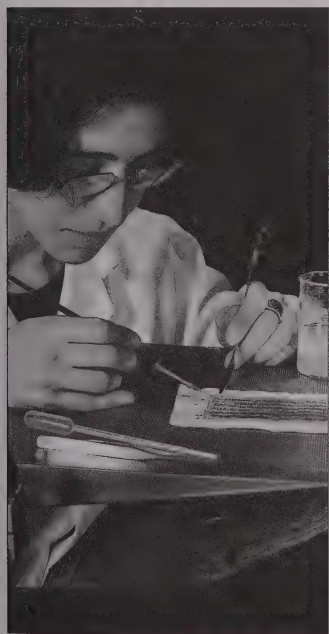
Conservation activities from 1996 to 1997 focused on the Early Printed Book Collection and the CMAC. Wellcome Trust Medical Photographic Library, London.

A major project for the CMAC was the conservation of Sir Anthony Bowlby's scrapbook (GC/181/A.6), a late nineteenth-century album with pre-gummed pages containing a mixture of newspaper cuttings, typed material, menu cards, printed and manuscript ephemera, and miscellaneous other material. This was in a very poor state, with numerous leaves completely stuck together, but has now been ungummed and stabilized, and put into a fit state to be microfilmed. Other jobs during the year included the cleaning of 450 books, with pockets made for loose inserts, and the construction of 113 four-flap enclosures for unbound manuscripts. Towards the end of the year, a survey of c.2000 items on paper from the Iconographic Collections was undertaken, to identify priorities for conservation work during 1997–98.

Anna Wise began a two-year contract to work on the conservation of our Panjabi

manuscripts in September 1996, and at the half-way point this is progressing well. Unbound manuscripts have now been rehoused in four-flap folders, with repair work undertaken when necessary. A survey of the bound manuscripts showed that 80 per cent are in need of some conservation treatment, and 41 were selected as priorities on the grounds of content or illumination. Of these 17 have now been worked on and the remainder will be dealt with during the coming year.

In addition to the in-house work, 516 volumes, mostly from the modern collections, were repaired or rebound externally. In all 44 items from the Iconographic Collections were conserved during the year, again using external experts. The work included the removal of yellowed varnishes, the relining of unstable structures, the consolidation of flaking pigments, and cleaning the dirt of centuries from gilded frames.



Delicate manuscripts necessitate careful handling during repairs. Wellcome Trust Medical Photographic Library, London.

Departmental activities

Bibliographic Services

Cataloguing projects completed during the year were the upgrading of records for several sequences of monographs within the Modern Medicine Collection (including the subject areas of hydrotherapy, herbal medicine, evolution, health service provision, and medical ethics) and the addition of holdings statements to approximately 12 000 serials records. A start was made on the cataloguing of two significant collections: the hospital and asylum reports, and the Shepherd Collection, the latter being the library of the late Michael Shepherd, psychiatrist and historian of psychiatry, purchased by the Library in 1995.

In April 1997, the Department became responsible for the cataloguing of all the Modern Collections, taking over the Historical Collection, and therefore the bulk of new accessions to the Library, from Reader Services. A backlog of material received since the summer of 1996 was cleared.

Current Work in the History of Medicine continued to appear quarterly, and possibilities for future international cooperation began to be explored.

Contemporary Medical Archives Centre

The listing of collections continues alongside their acquisition. Interim sorting of new accessions is routinely undertaken together with the updating of existing lists when additional material arrives, such as the Medical Women's Federation archive. Several small collections were listed, and work continues on the large archives of the Queen's Nursing Institute and the Beit Trust, and the papers of Sir Harold Whittingham. Major lists completed during the year include the archives of Action on Smoking and Health (ASH), the British Social Hygiene Council and Neonatal Society and transcripts of Balint Seminars and the Blacker papers.

Excellent progress was made with the cataloguing of the Wellcome Archives by Jennifer Haynes. New sources leaflets produced were Southern Africa; Medical Charities and Medical Missionaries; Cancer. Apart from appraising and negotiating for collections, it is important to follow up deposits where further material is promised, and surveys and visits along these lines form an ongoing part of the department's life.



CMAC completed the listing of archives for Action on Smoking and Health (ASH).
Wellcome Institute Library, London.

Numerous individuals and institutions have been personally visited by CMAC representatives during the year, a potentially time-consuming but essential exercise.

The **Hospital Records Database** has been an ongoing project for some years, latterly a joint venture with the Public Record Office (PRO), and good progress was made during the year under review. Roger Maxwell was employed by the PRO, but based in the Wellcome Institute Library, to enter and edit data, and prepare the file for public accessibility. With the help of the Trust's Information Services Department, a user-friendly front end was devised, and the whole thing went live to the public in November 1997.

Another project which has long been gathering speed is the **Medical Archives and Manuscripts Survey (MAMS)**, carried out by CMAC staff and their colleagues in the Western Manuscripts Department, and surveys completed during 1996–97 included the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and the British Medical Association. The whole file for London is now almost ready for publication.

Early Printed Books

Ongoing cataloguing of new accessions of pre-1851 books is a major regular task of the department and a total of 1028 new records were added to WILDCat during 1996–97, while 1959 were amended or upgraded. A significant landmark was the completed cataloguing of a collection of 99 volumes of eighteenth/nineteenth-century Edinburgh University MD theses, acquired in 1996, generating 1314 new or amended records. The Department has also been involved with the reorganization of the pre-1851 section of the former American Collection, and the consequent creation of automated catalogue records.

Advice on the value and appropriate retention strategies for early printed materials was given to the Faculty of Homoeopathy, to the Royal College of Psychiatrists, and to Noble's Hospital (Douglas, Isle of Man).

Iconographic Collections

Much of 1997 was occupied with the consequences of moves and relocations. The move of the Library's remote stack from Enfield to Hampstead Road involved the physical transfer of many pictures from the old store to the new. Changes within the Library's staff areas on the third floor of the Wellcome Building called for the design of a new Iconographic Workroom, and the emptying of the old one. And extensive building and relocation works on the first, second, and fifth floors of the building (involving other parts of the Trust) meant that 200 pictures displayed on those floors had to be temporarily taken down.

Despite these upheavals, the department pressed ahead with its more usual tasks. 1744 works were catalogued for the first time, including 700 from the Library's zoological collections, and 377 of London hospitals and institutions. This brought the total number of iconographic records in WILDCat to 40 165, meaning that

about 70 per cent of the images on the videodisc are now catalogued. Although cataloguing is an ongoing task of the permanent staff, it should be added that many new records are created by expert volunteers who kindly donate their services in exchange for access to the collections and the experience they develop. Our thanks go particularly to Andrea Meyer Ludowisy, Ruth Collins and Christian Kerslake.

The Department collaborated with Atlas Limited Editions of London in producing photographic facsimiles, for sale, of some of John Thomson's photographs of the Far East (which were also publicized this year as part of a major exhibition on Thomson mounted at the National Library of Scotland).

Oriental Manuscripts and Printed Books

The year's outstanding event, outside the noteworthy accessions mentioned above, was the long-awaited publication of K D Somadasa's *Catalogue of the Sinhalese Manuscripts in the Library of the Wellcome Institute for the History of Medicine*. Its publication, the fruit of many years' work, coincided more or less with the publication of the seventh and final volume of the Nevill Collection of Sinhalese manuscripts in the British Library, also compiled by Mr Somadasa, and with his retirement from the BL's Oriental and India Office Collections – a fitting climax to his career. A copy of the Wellcome catalogue was presented to the High Commissioner of Sri Lanka at Mr Somadasa's retirement reception at the India Office in December 1996.

Other publications proceeded according to plan during 1996–97: the text of the catalogue of Burmese manuscripts was completed by Dr Bill Pruitt and Dr Roger Bischoff, and is due to be published in the first half of 1998. The text for the second volume of the Wellcome *Handlist of Sanskrit manuscripts*, compiled in-house by Dr Dominik Wujastyk, was also completed and will be published in 1998.

Dr Wujastyk co-taught the undergraduate course unit 'Introduction to Eastern Medical Systems in a Historical Context' within the Institute, and taught an undergraduate course in Sanskrit at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS). Together with Dr Conrad, he organized the fortnightly Institute Research Seminar on Science, Technology and Medicine in Asian cultures. During leave of absence between 13 April and 11 May, he acted as UNESCO consultant to the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts in New Delhi, giving advice on

digitization, multimedia publishing, and automated manuscript cataloguing. He completed a book on *The Roots of Ayurveda*, which is in press as a Penguin Classic.

Western Manuscripts

A major ongoing exercise has been the integration of the Autograph Letters collection with the main manuscript sequence; by the end of September 1997, 1151 files had been dealt with, representing 6681 individual documents. Cataloguing of manuscripts reached MS 7453 (from 7219 at the end of September 1996), and further editorial work was carried out on the text of the catalogue for MSS 5120–6790, to prepare it for publication. Other finding aids completed during the year included a catalogue/index of the Thomas Barlow papers, the union lists of papers relating to Florence Nightingale and Lord Lister, and guides to Western Manuscripts material relevant to the history of London, and the history of Africa.



Sir Thomas Barlow and his three sons. Photograph from the Thomas Barlow papers catalogued by the Western Manuscripts Department. Wellcome Institute Library, London.

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Royal Society Library Committee (member)

Radiology History Committee (member)

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Secretary, European Ayurvedic Society

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Julia Sheppard

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'Wellcome and Osler', *Medical History*, 1997, **41**: 213–225

Dominik Wujastyk

'Sanskrit manuscripts on the Internet', *South Asia Library Group Newsletter*, 1997, **44**: 23–25

Four issues of *Current Work in the History of Medicine* were produced, covering October 1996 – September 1997, listing 6954 journal articles and 2137 monographs.

A set of eight different postcards was published, featuring the Library Reading Room and various pictures from the Iconographic Collections.

Papers and presentations given by Library staff

Nigel Allan

'The Islamic collections in the Wellcome Institute', Middle East Library Conference, 14–16 April 1997

Ken Arnold

'Exhibitions at the Wellcome Trust', Departments of Art History and Theory, University of Essex, November 1996

'Museums and the history of science: looking forward', British Association Annual Festival of Science, 30 September 1997

Tony Bish

A series of five lectures was given at the Beit Al Qu'ran, Bahrain, entitled 'The preservation of manuscripts and archives in the Islamic world', from 22–26 February 1997

Lesley Hall

'"Having it all" versus radical critique: feminist reconfigurations of heterosexuality in the 1920s', Wellcome Institute Work in Progress Seminar, 1 October 1996 [longer versions of this paper were later given in London and Cambridge]

'The other in the mirror: sex, Victorians, and historians', Symposium 'Sex and Soul: Concepts of soul and sexuality between spirituality and biology', Institut für Medizin- und Wissenschaftesgeschichte, Lübeck, 1–22 October 1996

'How Historians can study intimate and private events', guest seminar to the MA course, Royal College of Art and Design, 23 January 1997

'An uneasy marriage between feminism and sexology? Women rethinking sexual relations in the 1920s', University College London, Department of Science and Technology Studies seminar, 8 February 1997

'Women and the medical professions', lecture to the Society of Apothecaries history of medicine diploma course, 26 July 1997

'Utopian dreamers of the left and the health of society', presentation in round table session, 'Public health voices', at Joint Conference, Society for the Social History of Medicine/International Network for the History of Public Health, Liverpool, 4–7 September 1997

'Women, feminism and eugenics', Galton Institute Annual Conference ('The Galton Institute: Ninety years of progress'), London, 18–19 September 1997

Barbara Luff

'Preservation and conservation of library collections' to History of Art students at University College London, 16 July 1997

David Pearson

'Bookbinding in Oxford, 1500–1640', Oxford Bibliographical Society, 13 February 1997

'The new *Guidelines for the Cataloguing of Rare Books*', 'MARC for rare book Librarians', Library Association Rare Books Group, 23 April 1997

William Schupbach

Lecture on the history of anatomy, to the Society of Apothecaries' history of medicine diploma course, 4 January 1997

Seminar on Dutch paintings, for students on the University College London Baroque MA course, 19 February 1997

Julia Sheppard

'L'exploitation des archives', seminar at the Ecole Nationale du Patrimoine, Paris, on 'Sciences et Archives Contemporaines', November 1996

Ann Spreadbury

'The book as museum object', to BA History students at King Alfred's College, Winchester, 20 December 1996

Dominik Wujastyk

'Miscarriages of justice: the demons of disease in Indian medicine', joint Wellcome Institute/SOAS conference, 'Religion, health and suffering', September 1996

Visiting groups

The Library hosts parties of visitors throughout the year, who come for professional or scholarly reasons to be given presentations about particular aspects of the Library's collections or its work. Visiting groups during 1996–97 included:

December 1996

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| 12 | UCL School of Library, Archive and Information Studies students | (10) |
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January 1997

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| 16 | University of North London Librarians | (12) |
| 30 | University of Liverpool School of Library and Archive students | (22) |

February 1997

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| 11 | University of London Librarians | (15) |
| 13 | University of London Librarians | (15) |
| 19 | UCL Art History students | (10) |
| 19 | Friends of the Royal Academy | (51) |
| 20 | Science Museum Librarians | (15) |
| 25 | Fawcett Library Librarians | (4) |

March 1997

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| 17 | Friends of the Wellcome Institute | (20) |
| 17–21* | Science Education and Technology Week visitors (*five groups) | (16) |

April 1997

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| 10 | Institute of Paper Conservation – overseas conservators group | (25) |
| 15 | Middle East Library Committee – International Section | (49) |
| 17 | Human Genetics Advisory Commission | (5) |
| 18 | Institute of Historical Research, PhD students | (8) |
| 29 | London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine students | (7) |

May 1997

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| 6 | University of Warwick History Department students | (9) |
| 14 | Association of Women Solicitors | (28) |
| 21 | British Library Enquiry Service Librarians | (2) |

June 1997

10	General Practitioners Trainee Group	(12)
17	Camberwell School of Art: History of Graphic Arts students	(12)
20	Michigan State University Study Tour students	(41)

August 1997

5	Royal Society of Medicine Librarians	(2)
6	Baylor University, Texas, students	(6)

September 1997

20	London Open House Day	(165)
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Total Groups = 29

Total Visitors 561

Staff from the Iconographic Collections and Reader Services organized our annual participation in London Open House Day on 20 September, when noteworthy buildings all over London are opened up to the public for conducted tours; 165 people visited the Wellcome Building that day.

Exhibitions

In the History of Medicine Gallery

'Abracadabra: The magic of medicine' (May – November 1996)

'Doctor Death: Medicine at the end of life' (January – July 1997)

'Saving Bodies, Saving Souls: Hospitals in history' (September 1997 – January 1998)

In the main reading room

'Medical Gymnastics' (11 October – 9 January 1997)

'Recent Acquisitions' (13 January – 14 March 1997)

'British Society of Gastroenterology: Diamond Jubilee exhibition'
(17 March – 30 April 1997)

'Hong Kong Exchange: Three centuries of Anglo-Chinese interaction'
(2 May – 6 June 1997)

'Medicine in Japan. A major new Japanese acquisition' (9 June – 18 July 1997)

'Powders, Pennies and Pains. Pharmaceutical advertising 1890–1990'

(21 July – 29 August 1997)

'Genetic Cultures' (3 September – 17 October 1997)

In the modern medicine reading room

'Positive Action: Health education, caring and initiatives in HIV and AIDS'

(2 December 1996 – 28 February 1997)

'Vibrant Vitality: Exercise, massage, fitness and health' (3 – 28 March 1997)

'The Fragrant Weed: Smoking, or, no smoking?' (31 March – 28 June 1997)

'Powders, Pennies and Pains. Pharmaceutical advertising 1890–1990'

(30 June – 27 September 1997)

'The Shadow of the Stork: Birth control in the twentieth century'

(29 September – 23 December 1997)

Loans to external exhibitions

Material was loaned to the following external exhibitions:

'A l'Ombre d'Avicenne: La Médecine au temps des Califes', Institut du Monde Arabe, Paris

'Immagini del Sentire', The Prado, Madrid.

'William Morris: The collector as creator', The Grolier Club, New York

'The Five Senses in Art: Images of feeling', The Prado Museum, Madrid

'The Inner Eye', Manchester City Art Gallery; Brighton Museum and Art Gallery; Glynn Vivian Gallery, Swansea; Dulwich Picture Gallery

'John Thomson: China and its people', Northern Territory University Library, Darwin, Australia

'David Le Marchand', Leeds City Art Galleries

'The Ingenious Machine of Nature: Four centuries of art and anatomy', National Gallery of Canada, Ottawa; Vancouver Art Gallery; Philadelphia Museum of Art; The Israel Museum, Jerusalem

- “‘Victoria and Albert, Vicky and the Kaiser’: Ein Kapitel Deutsch-Englischer familiengeschichte’, Deutsches Historisches Museum, Berlin
- ‘Refashioning Death: Northern European vanitas prints 1500–1661’, The College Art Collections, University College London
- ‘The Body in the Lens’, Montreal Museum of Fine Arts
- ‘The Rake’s Progress’, Sir John Soane’s Museum, London
- ‘Wicca (witches)’, University Gallery, University of Essex
- ‘Captured Shadows: The photographic journeys of John Thomson’, National Library of Scotland, Edinburgh
- ‘Mary Wollstonecraft and Mary Shelley’, Dove Cottage, Grasmere

Statistics

Number of items purchased (1995–96 figures in brackets)

Historical collection	2 225	(2 266)
Modern Medicine	446	(283)
Early Printed Books	209	(253)
Oriental collections	394	(357)
Western Manuscripts	55	(96)
Iconographic collections	293	(46)
TOTAL	3 622	(3 301)

Number of items received by gift (1995–96 figures in brackets)

Historical collection	321	(369)
Modern Medicine	62	(87)
Early Printed Books	4	(12)
Oriental collections	14	(15)
Western Manuscripts	5	(8)
Iconographic collections	1 089	(15)
TOTAL	1 495	(506)

Periodicals

Titles purchased	509	(500)
Titles received by gift/exchange	214	(203)
Total current titles received	723	(703)
New titles in 1996-97	20	(37)
Cancellations/publication ceased	7	(6)

Acquisition costs

Total budget	£379 000	(£341 000)
Expenditure	£375 502	(£335 582)

broken down as follows:

Periodicals	£29 227	(£24 627)
Historical collection	£69 398	(£77 849)
Other collections	£89 824	(£75 732)
Special purchase fund	£187 053	(£157 374)

[Expenditure figures may be subject to slight adjustment in the context of formal year-end accounting procedures]

Cataloguing statistics

New records added to the Printed Books/Serials database	38 888
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Use of the Library

Total recorded visits by readers	17 558	(15 703)
Average number of visits per day	58	(52)
New reader registrations	1 621	(1 640)

Closed access material retrieved from the stacks

Early Printed Books/pamphlets	1 636
Western Manuscripts	1 286
Oriental collections	1 197
Modern Medicine	3 559
CMAC	2 170 boxes (c.8 750 items)
Iconographic collections	900
Student loan issues	5 289

Inter-library loans

Loans inwards

Books requested	172
Articles requested	192
Patents requested	18
TOTAL	382

Loans outwards

Total requests	278
of which: supplied	101
not supplied	177
originating in UK	219
originating overseas	59

Enquiries

Research enquiries dealt with by Reader Services

By letter	317
By telephone	283
By fax	39
By e-mail	68
TOTAL	707

of which: UK	575
overseas	132

Administrative enquiries

Total recorded	236
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Phone enquiries answered immediately

(i.e. without further research)	3 263
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TOTAL enquiries recorded	4 206	(3 296)
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Conservation statistics

Number of items

Treated for mould	3
Surface cleaned	71
Sellotape removal	11
Other paper fasteners removed	5
Self-adhesive film removed	1
Deacidified	67
Repaired	111
Guarded	11
Re-adhered	6
Interleaved with silversafe (album)	1
Melinex enclosures	24
Secol sleeves adapted	1
Folders made	143
Boxes made	151

Summary list of noteworthy acquisitions

Early Printed Books

Almanack: given gratis in Long-Acre [a broadsheet advertisement for the anodyne necklace, etc.] [London, c.1755]

Steven Blankaart, *Verhandelinge van de opvoedinge en ziekten der kinderen*, Amsterdam, 1684

Ernst Blasius, *Beiträge zur praktischen Chirurgie*, Berlin, 1848

Guillaume Budé, *De Curandis Articularibus Morbis Commentarius*, Paris, 1539

Johann Sigismund Elsholtz, *Diaeteticon: das ist neues Tisch-Buch*, Colln an der Spree, 1682

Camille Falconet, *Catalogue de la Bibliothèque de Feu M. Falconet*, Paris, 1763

Chapin Aaron Harris, *The Dental Art*, Baltimore, 1839

Thomas Kirkland, *An Account of the Distemper among the Horned Cattle at Caulk, in Derbyshire, in 1783*, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, 1783

Fortunius Licetus, *De Quaesitis [-de octavo-quaesitis]*, 8 vols, Bologna, Udine, Brescia, 1640–55

Per Henrik Ling, *Gymnastikens Allmänna Grunder*, Uppsala, 1840

Juan Maldonado de Puga, *Religiosa Hospitalidad por los Hijos del Piadoso...S. Juan de Dios, en su Provincia de S. Raphael de las Islas Philipinas*, Granada, 1742

Pedro Joachin de Murcia, *Discurso Politico Sobre la Importancia, y Necesidad de los Hospicios, Casas de Expositos, y Hospitales*, Madrid, 1798

Henricus Regius, *Fundamenta Physices*, Amsterdam, 1646

Nils Rosén von Rosenstein, *Underrättelser om Barn-sjukdomar*, Stockholm, 1764

Denis Prudent Roy, *Traité Médico-philosophique sur le Rire*, Paris, 1814

Lazzaro Spallanzani, *Dissertazioni Due*, Modena, 1765

Sarah Stone, *A Complete Practice of Midwifery*, London, 1737

Thomas Tryon, *A Treatise of Dreams and Visions... To which is added, a discourse of the causes, natures and cure of phrensie, madness or distraction*, London, 1689

Western Manuscripts

Collection of papers formed by Mr Anthony Morson, including papers of T N R Morson (1799–1874) and records of Thomas Morson & Son Ltd, of Enfield, manufacturers of fine chemicals and proprietary medicines, nineteenth/twentieth centuries (**SA/MOR**)

English medical recipe books, seventeenth/eighteenth/nineteenth centuries (**MSS. 7334, 7365–7366, 7391**)

French medical recipe books, seventeenth/eighteenth centuries (**MSS. 7298, 7333**)

Medical *consilium* for the Bishop of Ferrara by V della Croce, Rome, 1628 (**MS. 7464**)

Notes of lectures by Jean Astruc on diseases of women and venereal diseases, Paris, 1723 (**MS. 7332**)

Student's casebook from Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, early nineteenth century (**MS. 7410**)

Commonplace book of William Oldham, London hatter, speculative philosopher, and observer of mesmeric demonstrations, 1828 – c.1839 (**MS. 7299**)

Commonplace book of Charles Smith, MD, India, 1850 (**MS. 7367**)

Journal of J W Mudge, MD, Burma and Ceylon, 1852–1859 (**MS. 7454**)

Diaries of James Patterson, master at the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, Manchester, 1858–1859 (**MSS. 7352–7353**)

Casebook of G M Goyder, surgeon, Sheffield and Newcastle, 1879–1881 (**MS. 7393**)

Miscellaneous British veterinary recipe books, nineteenth century (**MSS. 7455–7459**)

Contemporary Medical Archives Centre

Balint General Practice Seminars *Seminar transcripts, 1966–1970. Gift from Professor Marshal Marinker. GC/216*

Sir William Bayliss (1860–1924), physiologist. *Letters and papers, some of which relate to Ernest Starling. Correspondents include Henry Dale, Paul Ehrlich, Ivan Pavlov, Charles Sherrington, E A Sharpey Shafer, A V Hill and F Gowland Hopkins. Purchased via Dr Jack Judah from David Nicholls. GC/223*

Professor Donald Blacklock (1879–1953), Professor of Tropical Medicine. *Report and talk on malaria control in West Africa 1940–41. Gift from Dr K R Allen. GC/215*

British Association of Occupational Therapists. *Archive of the Association, with publications, from 1936. Gift from the Association. SA/BAO*

Fennings Pharmaceuticals. *Minutes, financial records, sales and products records, advertising literature. Gift from Mr C A Merle, Alfred Fennings Trust. SA/FEN*

Health Promotion Research Trust. *Additional records, minute books, reports, publications. Gift via Mr A Durham of the Trust. SA/HPR*

Henry McIlwain FRS (1912–1992), biochemist and neurochemist. *Personal and working papers. Gift from Mrs MacIlwain via the National Cataloguing Unit for the Archives of Contemporary Scientists, who supplied a catalogue. PP/MCI*

Medical Women's Federation. *Additional material including minute books of (London) Association of Registered Medical Women and of Overseas and Northampton Associations; lists of members 1919–1956; photographs. Permanent loan from the Medical Women's Federation. SA/MWF*

Florence Fenwick Miller (1854–1935), pioneer medical woman. *Typescript autobiography. Gift from her great grand-daughter, Isobel Brougham. GC/228*

Nation's Fund for Nurses. *Minute books of the British Women's Hospital Committee, 1916–20; NFN Council and Committee, 1919–80; and associated bodies including the Edith Cavell Homes of Rest for Nurses. On permanent loan from the Trustees of the Fund. SA/NFN*

Royal College of Pathologists. *Miscellaneous collections which had previously been deposited at the College, including J W McLeod collection (minute book of Central Penicillin Committee, Leeds), and writings and memorabilia of H E Vickers, I S Emslie, G J King, R D F Gasson, S Keys, and Norah Schuster. Given by the College.*

Iconographic Collections

Two anatomical figures. Woodcuts with watercolour and gold leaf by François Jollat, 1545. **Catalogue nos 38851–38852**

The pelvis of an articulated skeleton. Pen and brown ink and brown wash over black chalk by an Italian draftsman, c.1560. **Catalogue no. 39346**

A surgeon and his assistant treating a shoulder wound of a man in pain. Oil painting by Gerrit Lundens, 1649. **Catalogue no. 40475**

Aesculapius. Drawing in red and black chalks by Giovanni Battista Cipriani (1727–1785). Presented by the Friends of the Wellcome Institute. **Catalogue no. 38483**

An écorché and a skeleton in a classical landscape. Two drawings by Auguste Joron, c.1810. **Catalogue nos 39277, 39279**

Muscles of the upper limb and trunk. Black chalk drawing by Eugène Delacroix (1798–1863). **Catalogue no. 39045**

A shrine in Rome with votive offerings, watched by travelling musicians and locals. Watercolour by Dietrich Wilhelm Lindau (1799–1862), Rome, 1835. **Catalogue no. 38511**

Bullet wounds received at the Battle of Spion Kop (24 January 1900) by Major W Scott-Moncrieff and others, and diseased bones. Seven X-ray photographs. **Catalogue nos 38510, 38512, 38513–16**

‘A visit to the doctor’. Pen and ink drawing by William Heath Robinson. **Catalogue no. 39058**

Six prints by Käthe Kollwitz, Berlin, 1920–23. **Catalogue nos 38566–70, 38646**

Three gouache paintings by Louis Wain (1860–1939). **Catalogue nos 38484, 38887–88**

Pharmaceutical advertisements (French *prospectus à carte-bon*) for sending to physicians, inviting them to apply for samples, 1930s–1960s. 188 items (135 French, others Italian, Spanish and Belgian). **Catalogue no. 11667**

Six posters, issued by the GB Ministry of Food, the Central Council for Health Education, on nutrition, health, safety, and heating. **Catalogue nos 38535–40**

Five posters designed by H M Bateman and others, issued by the Ministry of Health, as part of the ‘Coughs and sneezes spread diseases’ campaign, 1940s–1960s. **Catalogue nos 38541–45**

The Rita Simon Collection: c.500 paintings and drawings produced in the course of art therapy, 1942–73. **Catalogue no. 39227**

Oriental Collections

Akae Hashica-el. Charm against measles. These charms are rare since they were burnt when the patient recovered. (Japanese MS). **Japanese new acquisition 21**

Igaku Shiyo sho. Guide to making a diagram of points for acupuncture and moxocautery. (Japanese block print). **Japanese new acquisition 100**

Jintai Kaibo zu. Anatomical chart composed by Kawano Kenzu and copied in the late sixteenth century. Few similar charts of comparable age have survived. (Japanese MS). **Japanese new acquisition 48**

Jintai Naikai zu. Rare set of anatomical charts in their original paper folder compiled by Ippō Okamoto and copied c.1697. (Japanese MS). **Japanese new acquisition 48**

Justrikeiryaku ro Zu. Makemono scroll by Yoshida Ikiū containing numerous coloured illustrations of the internal organs of the human body, moxa and acupuncture points. (Japanese MS). **Japanese new acquisition 34**

Jutrai Kaitai Shinso. Composed by Gentaku Ōtsuki, a revision of Kaitai Shinso, using, for the first time in Japanese printing, copper plates. First edition of 1812. (Japanese printed book). **Japanese new acquisition 33**

Kaito Hatsumō. An early work on western medicine compiled by Kōki Mitano containing numerous woodcuts of the internal organs; published in 1813. (Japanese block print). **Japanese new acquisition 94**

Kaitai Shinso. First translation into Japanese by Gempaku Sugita of the Western medical work *Anatomische Tabellen* by Johann Adam Kulmus. First edn 1774. (Japanese block print). **Japanese new acquisition 32**

To shin zetsu zu. Rare manuscript with inset illustrations of the tongue and lips showing symptoms of smallpox, copied in 1788. (Japanese MS). **Japanese new acquisition 11**

Zetsutai zusetzu. Diagnosis by means of the tongue with 35 illustrations of the tongue. (Japanese block print). **Japanese new acquisition 29**

Medical incantations and prayers featuring finely executed miniatures of medical demons copied on paper, late eighteenth/nineteenth-century Thai MS in *samut* format.

Anaṅgarāṅga 'The arena of love' by Kalyānamalla. Illustrated erotic manuscript. Nepal, paper, late eighteenth/nineteenth century. **Sanskrit MS Indic δ 67**

Kāmaratna 'The jewel of desire' by Śrīnātha. Illustrated manuscript of religio-magical medicine and charms. Paper, dated AD 1869. **Sanskrit MS. Indic γ 704**

Meghamālā 'The garland of clouds' ascribed to Śiva. A manuscript on the observations of clouds, lightning and other celestial phenomena, and their use for the prognostication of events such as harvests. Paper, nineteenth century. **Sanskrit MS. Indic α 1938**

Anonymous collection of medical receipts, formulae and miscellaneous ethno-medical material. Paper, cursive hand, eighteenth century. **Hebrew MS. Hebrew A 37**

D Feigensohn, *Kleyne Mashhisimlakh*, New York, 1896. Yiddish imprint on dentistry and toothache remedies. **Oriental PAM/FEI**

Y Frenkel, *De`r hoyz-do`kto`r*, Warsaw, 1895. Two Yiddish pamphlets relating to preventive and family medicine in the Jewish home. **Oriental PAM/FRE**

Institut für Geschichte der Arabisch-Islamischen Wissenschaften, Islamic series. Twenty volumes in this series published in a limited edition of 80 copies in Frankfurt am Main at the Johann Wolfgang Goethe University in which material relating to Islamic medicine over the last 200 years is reprinted. **PB Arabic sequence.**

